

Ponoka Fish and Game Association

May 7, 2015

Evelyne Huseby

Tyler Sebry

Robert Politeski

Al Mossip

Tom Simpson

Leonard Davis

Beth Sykes

David Abt

Robert Greene

Ken Sheehan

Rae Pugh

Steve Tattrie

Sherry Thoreson

Kellyn Christensen

Tarace Gorak

Tim Thoreson

Dick Sykes

Dale Jess

Jim Sebry

Tova Christiansen

Wayne Gardner

Todd Nabozniak

Ron Haynes

Glenn Chantal

Ray Abt

Meeting called to order at 7:30pm

**Introductions Completed**

1. April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 meeting minutes amendments- Add Steve Tattrie to the attendance list  
Ray Abt moved the minutes correct with amendments and Tom Simpson seconded. CARRIED.
2. Agenda presented with additions  
Agenda accepted with additions and moved correct by Ray Abt, seconded by Al Mossip. CARRIED.
3. **Reports:**
  - a. Archery- Two shooters came for Archery last night. The weather was miserable.
  - b. Banquet- Nothing to report.
  - c. Casino- Nothing to report.
  - d. Big Game- Ray Abt presented information on chronic wasting disease. The article can be found on the Alberta Fish & Game website.
  - e. Membership- we have reached 681members  
Breakdown is as follows: Regular - 290  
Family-127  
Dependent- 264  
  
Tova has ordered more windowed envelopes. We need to order 100 more keys.  
Leonard will place the order.
  - f. Bird/Fish- Dale Jess made a motion to purchase 500, 4"- 6" trout to stock in the lake provided we can check the existence of our current stock first. Dave Abt Seconded. CARRIED.
  - g. Environment- Tom Simpson and Leonard Davis attended the Chain Lakes meeting.  
They provided information from ASRD's netting report.  
First Chain Lake averaged 37 Pike per net and some suckers 40-60cm long.  
Second Chain Lake averaged 14 fish per net. The oldest fish were 6 to 7 years old.  
Water test on the first lake was the worst. All lakes have declined rapidly since 2001 due to fertilizer filtering down from First Chain Lake. They were shown pictures of the disturbance at the second Chain Lakes entrance.
  - h. Grants- Nothing to report
  - i. Predator- Tim Thoreson presented safety tips from Alberta Parks. Including tips on caring for spider and tick bites.  
There was a cat sighting on the east side of Gull Lake at Meridian Beach.
  - j. Property- Discussed May 2<sup>nd</sup> clean up and what needs to be done on May 9<sup>th</sup> clean up.  
The dock needs to be put in. Need to pressure wash BBQ area. Leonard will check into getting a Hotsy washer.  
Beaver Dams cannot be blown until July 1<sup>st</sup>. We must follow time lines and regulations for creeks

and rivers. Ray will print a map from SRD for our property.

k. Rental- Last year the R.C.M.P. paid for the rental but not for the membership.

The Fee has been upped to \$300 per day this year. They have booked June 8<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>.

Leonard Davis will do the shotgun forms up for them.

We need to fix the shotgun form on the website to include two signature spaces.

Evelyne will email out the shotgun form.

The clubhouse is fully booked until the end of September 2015.

Shelby and Tyler Sebry will possibly be the new renters in the mobile home and could be

interested in doing the cleanup and check in the clubhouse after the renters leave.

l. Past President- Nothing to report

m. Property (Glen Eden) – Needs a new lock. Mowing will be done after the long weekend.

Chris will be back on the 13<sup>th</sup> and will bring the lawnmowers out. He will make a list of what needs to be cleaned up.

Leonard has forms for the outhouse. He is working on getting Zipex donated for the concrete.

He is also getting information on a wrap for around it as a secondary. The plan is to build three.

n. Publicity- Newsletter is done.

Robert Greene and Phylis Walcheske attended the AFGA Awards Banquet on April 25<sup>th</sup>. Robert listed some of the highlights of the event.

- Provincial record for Walleye - 16lb 3oz

- Elk scored- 401 2/8" (from Medicine Hat)

- Moose scored - 191 5/8" is a Black Powder record

- Non typical Whitetail Deer scored - 209 2/8"

- Non typical Mule Deer scored - 215 1/8"

- Canada Goose weighed - 15lb 14oz

- Mallard weighed - 3lb 10oz

- Pheasant - 41 1/8" long

o. Treasurer- Beth Sykes presented monthly income and expense reports.

- Signing authority paperwork was signed but there are still corrections that need to be made.

- Beth has taken out a 12,000 term deposit at 1.5% to mature at one year in April 2016.

- Beth has moved money into the Legacy account.

- Evelyne gave the receipt for the floor polishing to Beth.

- Propane bill was discussed with Leonard. There is a credit.

- The renter has paid his balance owing on the propane.

- 20 regular and 10 restricted books were purchased for the gun course, at \$27 per kit.

p. Range- Al Mossip mentioned he got \$183 for brass. He used the money to do repairs on the bridge.

He will bring the rototiller back to the club as he had it serviced.

q. Rifleman's Rodeo- Todd Nabozniak will email the flyer for the website.

2016 is the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary for the Rodeo. We will need to discuss what we will be doing to commemorate it.

r. Trap- Dick Sykes reported that we had 3 shooters for our first trap night, 7 shooters for the second night and 10 shooters for the third night. Numbers are going up!

s. Youth Camp- Christine Frandsen said we have 5 kids booked already for the youth camp.

The youth camp is included in the newsletter.

Christine is working on a letter to Cabela's.

Leonard Davis asked if Christine had contacted Sandra about Sandra's fundraiser to send kids to camp.

t. President- Evelyne reported zones had a good turnout. Evelyne covered a list of Zone 3's new executive.

The Red Deer Fish and Game has taken over the youth pheasant program. And have found pheasants are hard to come by. If anyone knows where they can purchase birds please contact them through their website.

**Leonard Davis made a motion to donate 10 cases of clay pigeons to the Red Deer Fish & Game youth pheasant program. Tyler Sebry seconded. CARRIED!**

- u. Secretary- Sherry Thoreson mentioned a huge thank you to the crew that helped for the first clean up on May 27, 2015. Robert Politeski, Gerald, Christine Frandsen and her family.
- v. Pistol- Ken Sheehan regulations were given to Ken to review with the group. They will meet to review and give feedback.

More Range Rule pamphlets are needed in the sign-in booth.

- w. Property (Gull Lake) - Steve Tattrie said they started a new trail as the old road was flooded. They brought in 2-3 loads of gravel but work stopped after a truck got stuck. They are now waiting for the road to dry up.

Steve brought out a cat and spread out what gravel was brought.

It was mentioned that here is 2 rolls of filter cloth at Glen Eden that could be used on the road at Gull Lake.

People have made a mess and left camp gear. Steve will get it cleaned up.

#### **4. Old Business**

- a. Clean up of the mobile home area at Pofianga requires a trailer to haul items to the dump.
- b. Evelyne went over a list of repairs required on the mobile home.
- c. Evelyne has new keys and locks for the mobile home.
- d. Evelyne has to take the clubs official stamp to put on the Lacombe Fish & game paperwork for it to be finalized.

#### **5. New Business**

- a. A Ladder is required to work on the roof. Dale will bring one.
- b. Tom worked on starting all of the lawn mowers. One was not starting.
- c. Dale pick up kits and will get the water tested through the health unit for the club house and the mobile home.
- d. Dave Abt will run next month's meeting as Evelyne is not available.
- e. Evelyne made a personal donation from her family and on the club's behalf to a memorial fund for Christine Frandsen's mom who passed recently.
- f. Beth Sykes made a request to form a committee to discuss what the club should do as a standard Acknowledgement when a club member passes away.  
Beth, Dale, Evelyne and Dale volunteered to be the committee for this matter.
- g. Wayne Gardner brought up an interest in setting up a black powder shoot/event.  
Robert suggested putting info on the clubs website to see if there is interest in this.  
Leonard will go over the calendar to line up some dates for rifle/black powder evenings.  
Wayne is a member of the Alberta Black Powder Association and mentioned that the association Has been working to try and get the black powder season opened earlier for hunters.
- h. Dale will contact the fellow that did a presentation at the birdhouse building to see if he can help with assessing our level of fish stocked in the lake.

**Ray Abt made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Steve Tattrie seconded. CARRIED!**

**Meeting adjourned at 9:30pm.**