

Ponoka Fish and Game Meeting Minutes

March 1, 2018

Christine Frandsen	Robert Greene	Chris Lyle
Herb MacDonald	Tom Simpson	Jordan Lyle
Jim Sebry	Scott Rarick	Dale Jess
Ron Haynes	Tim Thoreson	Nick Mandrusiak
David Abt	Philip Arndt	Tegan Drader
Ray Abt	Aaron Arndt	

Meeting called to order at 7:36 pm

February Meeting Minutes approved by Tom Simpson, seconded by Scott Rarick.

*Agenda not present at beginning of meeting

Archery – Poster is posted on Facebook page for the shoot in at Cal Nash. Poster has been shared lots hoping for a good turn out.

Banquet - \$9560.00 profit report to follow

Casino - nothing to report

Big Game – Goose hunt starts in a couple weeks. Noted that the government has now banned spear hunting.

Membership – over 300 processed so far, Membership question brought forward from previous meeting, Evelyne found out for us that no matter abilities a person over the age of 18 is required to hold their own membership card for liability reasons.

Bird \Fish – USA study brought forward showing honey bees attraction to fungicide, bees are eating this and effects on the hives are not good. World Bee day is May 20, 2018.

Bird house building day here on March 24. We will be doing bird houses and the duck tunnels. Myrna is coming from Ellis Bird Farm. Will get a donation for Ellis Bird Farm later from Beth

Government was looking in to banning trout fishing in AB streams and rivers from Edmonton to Calgary, major rivers only. It was being considered but was not brought into effect at this time due to the usage of these areas by all ages. It may be brought forward again in years ahead.

Also, a suggestion has been brought forward for single barbless hooks to minimize trauma to fish...not in effect yet.

Environment – nothing to report

Predator – 2017/2018 fur auction price sheet was passed around.

Lots of negative feedback from people posting cougar on social media. Outdoor Canada was bombarded with calls and email from non-hunters.

Calgary within city limits are now complaining about coyotes for killing dogs. First it was leave the wildlife alone and now it is deal with the wildlife. Wildlife is now plentiful and causing problems

Property Pofianga – Dale has the new lights for the main hall and will get them in asap.

Rentals – nothing to report

Past President – nothing to report

Property Glen Eden – east side has been reported to have a lot of sled tracks along it. Guys will go check it out and make sure everything is ok there.

Publicity – Red has a letter ready to go in will add highlights from tonight's meeting

Treasurer – nothing to report

Range – Scott check it out when he plowed the snow. Range being used more now with the nicer weather. Currently the door is not closing, will mend it's self once the frost is gone. Targets looking good.

Tim is collecting plywood from his work and Al will make up targets with said wood. Tom and Scott are collecting the brass and in turn are purchasing 2x4's etc.

Rodeo – nothing to report

Trap -nothing to report

Youth – 4 inquiries so far for kid's camp. Christine will get the paperwork ready to post on the website for April.

President- President's report from AFGA and Zone 3 AGM (attached)

Secretary – nothing to report

Property Gull Lake – Dave noted that the snow is deep. There are tracks around the grounds from sleds but nothing on the grounds and fences are secure.

New Business

- 1 – Zone Meeting April 8 @ 10:00 here at Pofianga
2. Big brothers and Bis sisters bowl a thon is coming up.

Tom Simpson makes a motion to donate to the Big Brothers and Big Sisters Bowl a thon in the amount of \$250.00. Chris Lyle Seconded. Carried!

3. Trailer flooring. Christine and Scott are working on the trailer floor. There are some damaged spots in the living room under windows and under kitchen window. Decision made to make sure there is no damage to the wall under the window, and that there is no rot. If all is good under the windows go ahead with the flooring.

Christine made a motion that if the flooring and the walls under the windows are good we go ahead with the new floors in the trailer. Tom seconded. Carried!

Correspondence

Tickets are available for the Awards Banquet April 21 AFGA at the polish hall in Edmonton

Ray adjourned the meeting at 840 pm Tom Seconded.