

Star Prairie fish and game Association January annual meeting

Monday, January 20, 2014- Don Madsen's on Cedar Lake

Thank you's: To: Craig Matthys for donation

Attendance: 19 members

Secretaries report read, motion to accept –seconded- passed

Treasurers report read, motion to accept – seconded – passed

Committee reports

Bucks night – went through the results of bucks night. The Packer trip did not bring as much money as it should have and therefore was given back. Terry said anyone with suggestions for improvements should get a hold of someone on the committee or join the committee. There was a discussion of the missing money. No one has come forward as yet.

Paul Maher had a discussion on grace place. He explained what they do and who they do it for. Grace place has recently acquired the old Maple Manor nursing home. They need two hundred thousand dollars to rehab the building. He was asking the club to make a donation toward this rehab. Also any individual can contribute any amount. Paul answered questions some of the members asked. Terry asked the club what they thought about the donation. It was brought up about how does this fit into our mission statement. A \$3500 donation was suggested as for that amount we would get recognition on a plaque to be put up in the reconditioned building. This was tabled until next month.

Pontoon ride – tabled

Special events – tabled

Youth Hunt – October 4

Dan Cain discussed the youth hunt and other ideas for getting youth involved. Pheasants Forever has acquired several trailers filled with archery equipment and

guns. This equipment is available free of charge to local pheasants forever chapters. Dan talked about having youth night once a month with the possibility of archery one month, rifle shooting one month, and clay pigeon shooting one month. This would initially involve high school kids. They will be trying to start sometime this spring. He will be asking for volunteers from the club to help him in this.

Dan also brought up about a new group that has been formed in Wisconsin. It is called the Invasive Plant Association of Wisconsin. Dan will be doing some checking into this group to see if we can partner with them to help improve some of the areas where invasive plants are getting a big foothold

Trout Unlimited project

Dan Bygd talked a little about the Trout Unlimited project. Suggested that it be tabled for the time being.

Dan had a meeting with the US Fish and wildlife. Tom Kerr invited Dan and any interested members to participate in a group that the fish and wildlife will be starting. The meetings will be focused on improving grasslands for birds. Some area organizations are already involved in this. The next meeting will be January 28. Dan asked if anyone would like to represent the club in this endeavor as he will not be able to attend. Dan Cain volunteered to go to the meeting representing the club. At least to see initially what was going on

Election for the Board of Directors

Four members contacted Chairman Dan Bygd as to their desire to run. They were Chris Clarkson, Dick Hoppe, Chuck Magoon, and Bob Williams. John Peterson was nominated from the floor. Dan asked the required amount of times if there is any more nominations. There were none. Ballots were handed out to all paid members. Board members serving a three-year term will be Dick Hoppe, John Peterson, and Chuck Magoon. The board then adjourned to elect officers for 2014. Officers are Terry Zeiss president, Chuck Magoon VP, Mike Kelly Sec., and Craig Warren Treas.

New business

Terry discussed the proposed 2014 budget. The only question on the budget was about the reward for the bear that was killed. Terry answered the question. Terry went over the various committees. He will have a committee sign-up sheet for next month's meeting. Motion to approve seconded- passed.

Food for the meeting with provided by Todd Outcalt.

Dan Cain won the attendee drawing of \$40.

Next meeting February 17 at Dons Garage

Motion to adjourn seconded passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10.

Submitted by Erv Erickson