

Star Prairie Fish & Game Association September Meeting Minutes
Monday September 17, 2012 –Don Madsen’s on Cedar Lake

The September meeting of SPF&G was called to order at 7:02 pm by Pres. Dan Bygd
The Secretary’s and Treasurer’s reports were approved as read.

Thank You’s: From : Farm City Days
To : Family Fresh – fish boil purchases

Meeting Guests : Jason Zahradka

Attendance : 26 members + 1 guest

New Members : none

Committee Reports:

1. **Duck Race:** Tabled.
2. **Buck’s Night:** The event is on Monday, Nov. 12 at R&D Catering. Instead of a door prize, attendees will be eligible to win 20 quality prizes including 3 guns. 61 guns will be given away this year. Ticket price will remain at \$55.00 and Bucks bucks at \$120 for \$100 cash. The slide show will be updated with current pics and descriptions of club projects. A committee meeting will be held on Tues. 9/25 at the Friendly bar.
3. **Fisheries/Habitat:** Dan Cain will purchase 4 backpack sprayers, and 4 hand sprayers for applying herbicides. The dock at the north Cedar Lake landing was completed. Japanese Knotweed was spotted at the winter access and at Horse creek on Cedar Lake, Stuart will cut and spray. Cedar Lake buoys need to be removed by Oct 6, Bruce Seagren volunteered the use of his pontoon boat.
4. **Outreach/Youth:** Youth in the Outdoors day at Forest Ridge is on Sat., Oct 6. The club will provide & serve the food and help with the event. 52 youth are signed up for this event. A discussion was held on expanding the scholarship program perhaps to other schools or with additional awards, discussion to be continued at the next meeting.
5. **Senior Pontoon Ride:** tabled.
6. **Executive :** Under discussion are committee structures, chairs, and smaller and more diverse responsibilities under chairmen.
7. **Membership Report:** The club has 35 members that have paid the new \$60 membership fee, this is recoverable by selling the allotment of 10 gun raffle tickets.

Old Business/New Business:

1. The public Fish Boil will be held on Oct 5th at River Island Park, plans are to serve up to 300 people. Rick Connors will provide the expertise. The club will purchase and additional cooker. The menu will include SP Trout farm trout, and

vegetables; potatoes, onions, corn on the cob and mushrooms. The cost of including sausage will be investigated. Beer and wine coolers will be sold and a raffle is planned. Work crews were assigned. Club members will pay for their own meals and beverages. Don Stevens has volunteered the use of his trout pond by senior citizens for a fishing outing on Thurs, Sept 27, the trout caught will be kept for the fish boil.

2. A decision was made to only present overall club financials at meetings when no guests are present. If not presented at a meeting, club members may contact Treasurer Stuart Nelson via e-mail for the financials. There is no requirement in the club by-laws to present financials at meetings. Event income and expenses will continue to be reported at meetings.
3. Jason Zahradka, CPA, who does the club tax preparation and auditing discussed the clubs financial state. We are in compliance with all regulations. The amount the club spends on internal costs is comparable to other non-profit organizations. His recommendation was to reduce club assets with increased program spending.
4. Starting in October, meeting food will be provided by a rotating committee of 3 members. They will have a budget of \$125 and provide prep and cleanup. If there are not enough volunteers, members will be assigned.
5. There will be an Outdoor event at Oakridge WPA on Oct 6, up to 800 boy scouts could attend., some will camp at the McMutrie preserve. The club will provide traffic control at Oak Ridge.
6. Members who do not have club shirts should contact Chuck Frawley. Shirts are provided free of charge for members who work club events.
7. Attendance drawing of \$20 was won by Jason Longfellow, who was not in attendance, the \$20 will be carried over.
8. Discussion on changing the meeting night, will be carried over to the Dec. meeting.

The next meeting of the SPF&GA is scheduled for Monday October 15, 2012 with the 6:00 pm social hour and the 7:00 pm regular meeting at Don Madsen's on Cedar lake.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:02 pm.

Respectfully submitted: Mike Kelly (Secretary)