

Meeting minutes October 15, 2012

Called to order at 6:50 by Dan Bygd

Thank you cards not available. Need to get one to Steve Deiss for donating buns for the pheasant hunt and Don & Lori Stephens for the senior fishing at their pond.

Secretary report read and approved. Treasurer report deferred (guest present)

Guest introduction Kyle Kulow St Croix Land & Water

Kyle gave a report on the phosphorus load in the Willow River watershed and a brief description as to what some of the causes are. In a study done between 1999 and 2006 they inventoried areas causing problems. These studies determined that the phosphorus levels were too high. The areas were put on an impaired list. The Land & Water has been required by the DNR to come up with a plan to submit to the federal EPA to reduce the phosphorus load by 65% to get these areas off this impaired list. A large portion of this phosphorus load comes from farm runoff with a smaller amount coming from municipalities. Once the load values are determined, the Land & Water will put together a plan for reduction. Projects such as grass waterways, buffer dams and waste storage structures will need to be built. The government has a 70/30 grant for these projects with the 30% being paid for by the landowner. Not all landowners are able to pay the entire 30%. Other means of financing need to be found. SPFG could be one of these means. Kyle's report was just for our information. The club will discuss this and possibly provide some money in our 2013 budget.

Committee Reports

Bucks Night

Craig passed around a work list along with a game list for the night. Most guns have been purchased. Remainder will be purchased at Gregersons on Oct. 25th. The 20 gun bar raffle will be given away at various points in the program instead on all at once to avoid a backup at the registration table. The program will be finalized at the November meeting. The November meeting has been changed to November 5th at Dons. Craig is working on updating the video for the night. Craig would like to get an inventory of buckets, tickets etc. at the Menke garage to determine if anything is needed. Chuck Magoon has been asked to get this done. Mike Kelly will get signs for the new games and replacement for any other ones needing it. We will follow up on sponsors at the next meeting. Sunday November 11th at 3PM has been set for setup with 12PM Monday November 12th for most members to be there. All bar guns need to be brought to the next meeting.

Duck Race tabled

Fisheries & Habitat

Senior fishing at Don & Lori Stephens went well. Over 100 trout were caught. These were cleaned by the trout farm and were used at the fish boil.

The Boy Scout service day at the WPA also went well. Over 700 meals were served, a large increase from last year.

The youth pheasant hunt at Forest Ridge saw 57 youth. This is also an increase from last year.

Old Business/ New Business

With temperatures only in the 40s attendance was only around 100. There were many compliments about our boil. It has yet to be decided as to what to do with left over trout. They have been frozen in 1# bags. After we find out the final price a determination will be made as to what we will do with them

Jerry asked for a donation to the Wilson Legion for their annual fundraiser. A motion was made and seconded to donate one of our wildlife prints we have in Inventory. Passed

Club shirts were asked about. See Chuck Frawley about shirts and jackets.

Chuck Frawleys name was drawn for the attendee drawing. Not present the \$20.00 will be carried over to the next meeting

Meeting adjourned at 8:17