

Star Prairie Fish & Game Association— Meeting Minutes September 18th, 2023—Riverwood Nature Center

The September meeting of SPF&G was called to order at 6:40 p.m. by President Jon Bush. The Secretary's report was approved as read. The Treasurer's Report was tabled.

Thank You's: **To:** None

From: Village of Star Prairie – Fishing Piers and Parade, SCC Trap Team - Support

Meeting Guests: Tom , Kasey Yallaley

Attendance: 23 Members

New Members: None

Meeting Meal: Bob Long and Kim Andersen served the meal. Al and Craig will serve the October meal.

Committee Reports:

1. Pontoon Ride: Tabled

2. Youth Hunt/Trap Shoot:

- a. Pheasants Forever Youth day was a success. 42 kids attended. Next year Pheasants Forever wants to talk to SPFG about sponsoring a larger upland game hunt in conjunction with PF. Think about advertising at Hunter Education classes to pull kids from our target area.

3. Bucks Night:

- a. Eliminating the dice game, will put something in its place
- b. Need 3 people per 52 card game
- c. Need to sell Card game sponsors and cake sponsors
- d. Sponsor prize is going to be a Traeger grill again
- e. MC has been confirmed, will also have him do the cake auction
- f. October 11th next Bucks Night Committee meeting
- g. Moved back to 275 attendees from 250 due to Randy's having more space

4. Habitat/Fisheries:

- a. Kasey Yalley Updates
 - i. Updating the Pine Lake (by Baldwin) aerator and getting ready for winter
 - ii. Bullhead removal in Apple Lake (Squaw) was a good start, only found 1-2 year classes of bullheads. Planning to remove more in the spring during the survey
 - iii. Cedar, Apple, Bass, and Nugget (Pierce Co) will be shocked in Spring 2024
 - iv. St Croix River bag limit reductions all passed and will be going into place Spring 2024
- b. Kinni River Land Trust next work party at the headwaters is this weekend September 23rd weather permitting, Mac to send out another announcement email
- c. DNR is opening ordering trees for Habitat Handout on October 1st, Dan made a motion to order \$2500 of trees and shrubs for Habitat Handout Day 2024, Motion Carried

5. Outreach:

- a. Willow River State Park has 2 hunting blinds for handicap, youth, veterans. Signup at the office
- b. Only 20 trout out in Don Stevens pond, cancelling this years fishing day
- c. Veteren's Early Goose Hunt went well

6. Special Events: Tabled

7. Building:

- a. North landing as Cedar Lake has an issue with gravel at the landing coming from boats power loading. Warren Wood to talk to Alden Township about working together on a solution

8. Membership Report: The club has 39 paid members for 2023

Old Business:

1. New Richmond Chamber of Commerce membership is coming due, \$93 to renew. We are going to renew

New Business:

1. Adopt-a-dumpster at Deers Meat Locker with WI DNR for deer carcasses during hunting season. Motion made to support for \$500, motion carried

Attendee drawing of \$40 was postponed. The drawing for the October meeting will be for \$60.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55p.m.

The next Meeting of the SPF&G Association will be held Monday, October 16th, 2023, at Old Star Prairie Town Hall.

6:00pm Social Hour/Meal

6:30pm Regular Meeting

Respectfully submitted: Mac Sandberg (Secretary)