Star Prairie Fish & Game Association — Meeting Minutes March 18th, 2024—Old Star Prairie Town Hall

The March meeting of SPF&G was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Jon Bush. The Secretary's report was approved as read. The Treasurer's Report was tabled as Craig was absent.

Thank You's: **To:** Friendly Bar-Meat Raffle Donation

Presenters at Landowner Assistance Day

From: Bluebird Build & Landowner Assistance Day

Meeting Guests: Brad Hermansen-Potential Member

Attendance: 24 Members

New Members: None

Meeting Meal: Building Committee served the meal. Judd, Matt B. & Tom will serve the April meal.

Committee Reports:

1. Pontoon Ride: Tabled.

2. Youth Hunt/Trap Shoot:

- a. Trap Shoot-Saturday, May 4th at the Amery Gun Club. Will ask for volunteers at the April Meeting.
- b. Youth Hunt-Tabled to New Business
- 3. Bucks Night: Tabled.
- 4. Habitat/Fisheries:
 - a. Habitat Handout Day is Saturday, April 27th at 11am, volunteers show up at 10am.. A flyer will be sent around and put on Facebook.
 - b. Kinni Headwaters project is moving ahead and on schedule.
 - c. Apple (Squaw) Lake was netted last week, more information at the next meeting.

5. Outreach:

- a. Northwood Tech Project-A motion was made to provide them with up to \$1000 of seed, providing they go with seed and not plugs. Motion carried.
- b. Scholarship Update-There have been a few more applications in; up to about 5 at this point. Interest in presenting a scholarship, let Jon Bush know.
- c. Hunting & Fishing Expo-April 28th at 45th Parallel. Need 2 volunteers to work at the booth and talk about our club.
- d. NR High School-Earth 1st Project- Tabled to April meeting.

6. Building:

- a. Riverwood Park boardwalk-A material estimate was given for just under \$1500. The committee made a recommendation to fund the materials at a cost of \$1472.89. A motion was made and carried.
- 7. Membership Report: The club has 38 paid members for 2024

Old Business:

- 1. River Island Park-Light Pole Update-Very little interest from the club. Jon Bush will reach out to the village and let them know we are not interested in helping fund the project.
- 2. Meat Raffle-Made about \$1400 on the event. Everything went well.
- 3. Richardson Sportsman's Club Banquet-April 20th-Sign up if you're interested in attending. Club will pay half of the \$40 entry fee.
- 4. Summer DNR Intern-Successfully raised the other ½ of the funding, so the club has 100% funded a Summer Intern to help Kasey at the DNR. Trout Unlimited and the Sportsman's Alliance helped fund as well.
- 5. Landowner Assistance Recap- Had roughly 20 properties with 40-50 attendees. There were 5 presenters that spoke at

the event. A field day tour will be further discussed in the future.

6. Warren shared with the club that the township has temporarily fixed the washout below the boat launch.

New Business:

- 1. S.P. Trout Farm Development update-Jon shared that the first step is the village would have to re-zone the area in discussion from Conservation to Residential. Chuck Magoon shared that there was opposition to the idea of the development at the village meeting that he attended. More information to come in the near future.
- 2. WWF Application-Jon submitted the application for Conservation Organization of the Year and we did not win. WWF Banquet and Annual Meeting is April 19 & 20 in Wisconsin Rapids. The club will pay for a member to attend the event. If you're interested, let Jon Bush know and he can get you the information.
- 3. Ditch Cleanup-Scheduled for Monday, April 1st, Rain date of Tuesday, April 2nd. Meet at River Island Park at 5pm with Orange Vest.
- 4. Youth Hunt-Kinni Pheasants Forever would like to partner with us to enhance their event. A motion was made to re-allocate budgeted funds for our own event and allocate it to the Kinni PF youth hunt partnership, up to \$2500. Motion carried. Members should try and think of a unique booth to have at the event.

Other Business:

- 1. Osceola Rod & Gun sent a grant request for \$5000 to purchase equipment to start an Action Shooting team. Outreach Committee will make a recommendation to the club.
- 2. Chuck Magoon shared a disappointment with the lack of participation in the recently called board meeting. If you are on a committee or on the board, do what you can to attend the meeting, at very least communicate if you can or cannot make it.
- 3. Don Jackelen was drawn for the attendee drawing of \$40 was not present. The drawing for the April meeting will be for \$60. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55p.m.

The next Monthly Meeting of the Star Prairie Fish & Game will be held Monday, April 15th, 2024, at Old Star Prairie Town Hall.
6:00pm Social Hour/Meal
6:30pm Regular Meeting

Respectfully submitted: Chris Clarkson (Secretary)