

Star Prairie Fish & Game Association—Meeting Minutes—December 16, 2024—Old Star Prairie Town Hall

The December meeting of SPF&G was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by President Jon Bush. The Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were approved as read.

Thank You's: **To:** Power's Wild Game Processing - Meat Donation for Bucks Night
From: None.

Meeting Guests: None.

Attendance: 28 Members

New Members: None.

Meeting Meal: Mark Schadt served the December meal. Chuck M, Diz and Syke will serve the January meal. Meal Servers gun drawing for 2024 will happen at the January meeting.

Committee Reports:

- 1. Pontoon Ride:** Tabled.
- 2. Youth Hunt/Trap Shoot:** Tabled.
- 3. Buck's Night:** Tabled to Old Business.
- 4. Habitat/Fisheries:** Tabled.
- 5. Outreach:** Voted to approve \$500 grant to Somerset Ice Fishing team for a tournament. Received a request from Boy Scouts for Ice Fishing Package to give away. Motion was made and passed to donate \$750.
- 6. Building:** Motion light is needed at the main entrance. Need 2 more 8 foot tables and a half dozen chairs. Another tv should be purchased for hooking up to computers for presentations. Chimney should be capped and sealed; would need to hire someone to do it.
- 7. Membership Report:** The club has 51 paid members for 2024.

Old Business:

1. Bucks Night Recap- Jon passed around the game by game numbers. It was a very good banquet and we have a good amount of guns to carry over to next year. Committee met and came up with a list of some things to improve for next year. A list of attendees needs to be up front where tickets are being drawn. The meal was greatly improved this year. The club needs new and updated brochures for handing out. Improvements on games were discussed.

New Business:

- 2025 Budget Prep-January 6 at 6pm; Board of Directors will meet at the clubhouse to discuss club financials and committee breakdowns and create a proposed budget for 2025.
- 2025 Board Nominations- Board members with terms expiring January 2025 are Terry Zais, Al Lingen, Lucas Felling and Jon Bush. Terry is choosing not to run again. Warren Wood (phone: 715-338-1901 or email: woodfam@frontiernet.net) will collect nominations to the board; contact him with a nomination. Members may nominate themselves, if desired. Members must be paid for 2025 in order to vote in January.
- Aerators are on in Apple (Squaw) Lake, but they are not roped off, so please be aware to steer clear.
- Xcel Energy is working on developing an extremely large solar array; information has been emailed to the membership. This will create a huge impact on the wildlife and environment. If you are willing, there is a petition to sign in opposition to the project.

Other Business:

- BN Worker Raffle- Vern Warwick was drawn for the Worker Raffle for a shotgun.

2. Marty Engel was drawn for the attendee drawing of \$80 was not present. The drawing for the January meeting will be for \$100. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00p.m.

The Annual Meeting of the Star Prairie Fish & Game will be held Monday, January 20, 2025, at Old Star Prairie Town Hall.

6:00pm Social Hour/Meal

6:30pm Regular Meeting

Respectfully submitted: Chris Clarkson (Secretary)