



Seneca County Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs, Inc.

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MEETING MINUTES

November 19, 2024: Interlaken Sportsmen's Club

Call to Order

Meeting called to order by President Greg Wadhams @ 7:00 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call of Members

Attendance: 9 members, representing 8 clubs.

Minutes from October 15, 2024, Meeting

Read and approved.

Treasurer's Report

Deposits: Recognition Dinner \$70.

Paid: NYS Conservation Council Fall convention mileage & tolls \$224.

NYSDEC Summer camps reimbursement to Finger Lakes Conservation club for two campers \$700.

Report approved.

Guest speaker: NONE

Committee Reports: The Recognition dinner/banquet committee reported that the revised profit is \$1,249.

Delegate Reports: NONE

Old Business.

We need to attend meetings. Make sure your club is informed on what is happening as it pertains to our interest. Read these minutes at your meetings and ask that your members attend the SCFSC meetings. When the time comes make sure you get out and vote.

New Business:

We welcomed Mark Travis from North Seneca Sportsmen's & Rifle club. This is the first time he has ever attended a SCFSC meeting. This is what we need more people to attend meetings.

President Wadhams wanted to make every club aware of how club liquor licenses do not allow any games of chance to include card games that involve money. Also, only members and their guests may consume alcohol. All nonmembers must be signed in as a guest of a member and that member must be present. If the member leaves so must the guest. None of this is new it is now being checked on and violations are being issued. Clubs can apply for a Gaming license.

SCFSC received a "Legislative Watch Update" from the New York State Conservation Council. The council is monitoring a bill that poses significant challenges for shooting ranges. NYS Senate bill S8461 The Good Neighbor Range Bill.

This bill could impose stringent requirements regarding the size of ranges and lead reclamation, which could lead to the closure of most sportsmen's clubs across the state. Initially, the bill seems only to target skeet ranges; however, further examination reveals that the term "shooting range" broadly includes any outdoor area where shotguns, rifles, or pistols are used to fire at targets. This legislation would impact all aspects of recreational shooting, including sportsmen's clubs, college teams, high school clay target teams, 4H programs, and Boy Scouts. Should the bill begin to progress out of committee, leadership within the Council will be alerted through its Legislative Retrieval System and other sources. They will then notify us as to what action can be taken against it.

It was noted by most of the members present that the south deer opening day was successful. Although it was also noted that there are less hunters in the field than in the past.

Motion to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned 7:37 pm.

Next meeting: Tuesday, December 17th, 2024 Buckskin Bowmen Archery Club. Behind the State Police Barracks. 853 Waterloo Geneva Road. Waterloo. Food at 6:30 pm meeting at 7 PM.