



Seneca County Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs, Inc.

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NYS Conservation Council www.senecacountyfederation.com

FL Conservation Council

National Rifle Association

NYS Rifle & Pistol

NYS SCOPE

MEETING MINUTES

**February 17, 2026: Hosted by Seneca Falls Ducks Unlimited
at Kuneytown 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: 18 members representing 9 clubs.

Minutes from January 20 2026, Meeting

Read and approved.

Treasurer's Report

Deposits:

Annual dues from two clubs \$200.

Paid: None

Report approved.

Treasurer reported that three more clubs paid their dues at this meeting. He will send second e-mail and possible paper mailing of dues notice to those clubs that have not yet paid.

Guest speaker: NONE

Committee Reports: NONE

Delegate Reports: NONE

Old Business.

Seneca County Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs (SCFSC) has a website www.senecacountyfederation.com .

Should you need information about the SCFSC you should be able to find it listed there.

There was some discussion on the new guidance for hunting dogs. Members who have questions should contact ECO LT Matt Lochner 315-836-6137.

The New York State Conservation Council (NYSCC), has sent a letter of support for the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) to purchase the old boy scout camp Babcock-Hovey. The letter has been sent to NYSDCE, and to the NYSDCE Region 8 Fish & Wildlife Management board. Updates will be provided as they occur.

The resolution on the problems associated with tick bites and getting proper treatment as presented by Jennifer Park a member of the Interlaken Sportsmen's club. Has been submitted to the Resolution committee of the NYSCC. Updates will be provided as they occur.

The resolution on the "Voluntary best management practices for reducing unintended ingestion of lead ammunition residues in wildlife" has been submitted to the Resolution committee of the NYSCC. Updates will

be provided as they occur.

We are still looking to fill the vacant alternate delegate position to the NYSCC if interested contact the Secretary.

Future meeting dates for 2026 have been set and are posted on the SCFSC web site.

New Business:

We were informed of the passing of William Dadson a member of the Waterloo Rifle & Pistol club for over 55 years. He was for many years a very active delegate to the SCFSC. A moment of silence was held in his memory.

Received a letter requesting our support for the 28th Annual Youth Fishing Derby to be held at Finger Lakes National Forest on May 9th. Motion made to donate \$100. Motion approved.

President Wadhams sent an e-mail to Bruce Blakeman who is running for Governor inviting him to attend one of our meetings.

Ron Pesta the Chairman for the Seneca County SCOPE (Shooters Committee On Political Education) monthly meeting is tomorrow at the North Seneca Sportsmen's Club. He discussed the importance of SCOPE and requested that each of us as individuals become members. The SCFSC is already a member of the State SCOPE and Seneca County SCOPE is a member of SCFSC. Website www.scopeny2a.org

The NYSDEC has reported that Oak Wilt is a major threat to oak trees. It has been detected in 3 different locations, some associated with a recent timber sale. Suspect spread was caused by warm weather during clean-up activities, casing wounds on trees when vector beetles were active. All trees have since been destroyed to prevent spread. **Spread the word to your club members that to prevent oak wilt spread; only prune, fell, or otherwise damage oak trees during the winter.** For more information on this visit the NYSDEC Website <https://dec.ny.gov/nature/forest-trees/forest-health/oak-wilt>

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.

Motion to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned 7:30 pm.

**NEXT meeting: Tuesday, March 17, 2026 at Canoga Sportsmen's Club 3228 Cemetery Rd Seneca Falls.
Food at 6:30 pm meeting at 7 PM.**