



Seneca County Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs, Inc.

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MEETING MINUTES January 18, 2022: MacDougall Sportsmen's Club

Call to Order

Meeting called to order by President Greg Wadhams

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call of Members

Attendance: 13 members, representing 10 clubs, zero guests

Minutes from December 21, 2021, Meeting

Reviewed at meeting; read into record by President, approved.

Treasurer's Report

- No change from last month
- Youth Hunting program account \$514
- No transactions since last report
- Dues/delegates notices sent out to all 16 member clubs and organizations
 - 3 clubs tonight provided sheets and dues
 - FLCC; MacDougall; and Canoga Springs Sportsmens Club
 - Seneca White Deer: Dennis Money said it is being dissolved and no longer going to be in the Federation.

Motion to accept: Norm 1st motion; Ron 2nd -- motion passed

Correspondence/Communications

Email from Chuck @ State Council; bill to end burning wood in NYS (ban on all burning of wood fuel sources due to rising hydrocarbons); state cons council opposes that; wants to get support from federations. Another bill coming for steel shot on any state parks/land; or copper for big game; council also opposes that – looking for input back from federations. Currently can't hunt on Squaw Island, Canandaigua, and down by Ithaca.

Geneva came out with article a couple of months ago about DuckHunting on the North End. However, City of Geneva says their flag goes all the way to the State Park, Greg called councilmen to discuss personally. Shooting out over the lake past the high water mark, which was perfectly legal. Federation is against anything that would inhibit the use and resources available to sportsmen and sportswomen of this county. – Seneca Falls duck hunters; might be interested in adding to this letter as well. Used to be Marsh Creek; sportsmen paid for the frisbee golf, and the dog walking area; however, hunters are allowed to duck hunt in that area.

Motion to draft letter in support of duck hunting was made and seconded and voted on from last session

Burning Wood and Steel/Shot → motion made to advise that federation is opposed to this.

Ron/ Barb – motion passed – unanimous passed

Committee Reports

None.

Delegate Reports

Tom gave a detailed report on the FWMB 12/16 Virtual meeting – notes attached

Next meeting 2/17

Old Business

Duck hunting @ North end of Seneca Lake; FLCC wants a letter of support from SCFSC; Secretary tasked with that effort → originally discussed at October meeting -> President Wadhams discussed that City of Geneva wishes to end waterfowl hunting along the concrete wall on Seneca Lake. NYSDEC has advised that so long as

500' from occupied building and shooting into the lake that there is no issue from their end with hunting waterfowl. Discussion ensued, President to reach out directly to Geneva City Council.

Ron noted that there was a NY outdoor news article on the road closure in Lodi

Old business: Keith on damage permits; will address at next council meeting. Had questions on DEC nuisance permits; if you received a permit then you had to allow hunting without posting on your land. DEC did get on the wineries at one point for the disposal based on their nuisance permit.

Bill Ryan: Camperships → went to DEC website and it appears DEC camps will be operational this year. Not opening registration until March (prior years it was Jan).

Going to landfill to get some \$\$; talked to landfill manager and he said, write a letter to the guy that takes care of the outreach program. Ask for \$ for four camperships; federation will reimburse any club that sponsors them. Believes Federation will be able to fully fund any campership.

Also want SMI to pay for C Scott Sampson memorial scholarship; any graduating student going into Environmental program. Bill is going to draft the letters.

New Business

On December fundraising discussion -> Bill Ryan clarified; brainstorming session → 1) try a meat raffle, buy a ½ and do 2 ¼'s mixed; get both ends; 2) gas cards/gift cards; Doug's Fish fry/chicken BBQ; C. Scott Sampson fund as well. Around 350 pounds/side; so around 150 pounds/half; -- do a ½ and have two prizes, so more people can participate and would have the requisite freezer space – 100-150 pounds

Thoughts on benefit fundraising; Kurt Voorhees' father raises cattle – need to find out pricing for obtaining tickets to reduce overhead. Membership seemed to believe that meat raffle would be extremely worthwhile. Discussion on fundraising morphed into the recognition dinner and banquet. Also need to decide if we want to do a banquet? If no banquet, at least a summer picnic, timing will be critical to determine what we can actually do. Possibly do a September banquet with candidates for office – allow them to speak at the event. Might also consider doing something in August as well, weather dependent, of course. Discussion to continue @ February meeting.

Nomination committee formed: Ron, Norm, and Gary. – Nominations from the floor, discussion ensued; slate of candidates, as follows:

| Position | 2022 |
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| President | Greg Wadhams |
| VP | Tom Grasek |
| Secretary | Christopher Folk |
| Treasurer | Bill Ryan |
| Director | Ed Mitchell |
| Director | Ron Pesta |
| Director | Norm Ridley |
| NYSCC | Eric Riegel |
| NYSCC Alt | Aaron Youngs |
| FWMB | Tom Grasek |
| FWMB Alt | Bill Ryan |
| FLCC | Greg Wadhams |
| FLCC Alt | OPEN for NOW |

Secretary cast one ballot, approved; elections completed at 2029.

Motion to adjourn -- Meeting adjourned.

Meeting adjourned @ 20:30.

Next meeting: February 15, 2022 – Kuneytown Sportsmen's Club