FRIENDS OF HULLETT MINUTES OF DIRECTORS MEETING HELD AT EXETER ONTARIO AUGUST 30, 2016 7:30 PM

Present: Duane Inkpen, Jim Bayne, Mat Shetler, Dale Ann Mckichan, Mike Cardinal, Ryan Bayne, Wade Beaudoin

Regrets: Bill Dineen, Danica Rush

Staff / Guests : Scott Austin, Sarah Hubbert, Diane Schwier

Duane called the meeting to order and asked for comments or discrepancies regarding the minutes of the last meeting of July 26, 2016.

After reviewing the discussion and resolution with the trappers, it was found that the agreement needs to be altered in that we are unable to issue tax receipts as suggested to them.

Wades potential election in 2017 will be for a three year term.

Minutes as read with updates will be presented by Bill at the next meeting for approval before being published.

Treasurers Report: Ryan presented the BOD with both the Profit and Loss statement and the Balance sheet.

Marsh Report:

After reviewing the Marsh report prepared for August 2016 a discussion followed on several aspects of the report.

Steve Flynn has signed an annual agreement to harvest the prairie fields.

Scott suggested that we have a staff member trained and certified to use Roundup to reduce the amount of time weed -whacking. Details will be presented to the BOD at the next meeting.

Diane informed the BOD that MNRF will have \$1000.00 to put toward spraying Phragmites and Jeff Krete will be the lead on the spraying project. Water levels are low and September and October are ideal times to spray. Diane will follow up with Mr. Krete to move the project along in a timely manner.

A vigorous discussion opened on DU involvement regarding the water control structures. The BOD would like to have an increase in communication between FOH and DU to manage the water control structures on more than a yearly basis. Diane will contact Ken and suggest a meeting with DU to discuss the situation regarding the structures.

The recommendation for the building remediation is to demolish and remove the entire building and silo. Duane will contact Ken to determine what exactly is the MNRF willing to do to re mediate the building and site but, the BOD has determined that complete removal is their best option with a freshly graded site with old fences removed and drainage improved.

New Business:

The User Guide should be printed on September 9 and some very positive changes have been made to the marsh map.

Scott discussed the pheasant challenge and release and some ideas to improve the hunter involvement in the pheasant program.

OMNRF is in discussion with DU regarding the Grassland terms with the power company. FOH will do the preparation and cutting and maintenance.

The Youth Waterfowl Hunt is sold out but we still require two more mentors to fill out the event.

The Rough Grouse Dinner has been canceled for 2016 and is tentatively rescheduled for March 2017.

With no further business the regular portion of the meeting was adjourned and the BOD went incamera to discuss personnel matters.

Next meeting to be held at the Hullett office on Thursday September 22, 2016 at 7:30 pm