

FRIENDS OF HULLETT

MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING - HELD AT EXETER TOWN HALL 29 August 2017 7:30 PM

Present: Mike Cardinal, Bill Dineen, Danica Rush, Jim Bayne, Mat Shetler, Chris Ambrose.

Absent: Duane Inkpen, Ryan Bayne, Lorraine Moir (MNRFB), Wade Beaudoin

Guests: Scott Austin, Raeshawn Parsons

Meeting called to order: 7:48

Review July Minutes: Corrections noted.

Treasurer's Report: We need to look at our capital assets, for example our equipment situation and thus plan for the future. Jim suggested doing some excavation work at the white tail pond when they are there already doing the privy replacement. Someone would have to be there to direct the contractor. Our surplus monies are approaching about \$100,000. We should look at how to spend it or invest it. Suggestion - Equipment expansion - maybe another tractor. A ten foot packer is being donated to us. There are beaver baffles sitting for a long time now, and should be installed.

Marsh report:

2/10. Regarding the Youth Waterfowl Clinic; Discussion on thank you money for the meters. Mike made the motion that we give each \$50, seconded by Mat, all in favour. Dean will be part of the programme and will do a little safety talk as well.

11. Phag project. Spraying is going well. 33 stands have been sprayed out of 128. Water phrag isn't done because we do not have the right chemical yet. The remainder will be sprayed in the last two weeks of September. The project will be an on-going procedure. Scott feels he should get trained to do follow up spraying. Mat feels it's best to just hire someone to do this. We need more information to see if worthwhile.

1. Some discussion on the User Guide. It should be ready for opening day.

17. Handi-cap blind #1 - Anyone can use it if no handi-cap person is on site. There is some work to be done to repair some of the blind seats. Discussion on getting this done. Disabled wording to be changed according to what Ontario Parks are doing.

5. Privy upgrade to be started this week. Scott to call the contractor.

8. Pheasant Challenge day discussed at length.

22. DUC contracts. We have maxed out the mowing costs. We have more mowing and chainsawing than last year. Discussion on what DUC will pay is not enough. Scott explained all that he has done to justify the costs.

New business:

Danica wants to take on the handi cap blind situation. She will handle this in a professional way as there are many people that are older or have temporary disabilities.

Another idea Danica discussed is the Ontario Women's Hunting Association, headed up by Amanda Lynn. She sets up her own clinic. Danica suggests that she could run a clinic at the pheasant challenge. She could use our place as a host area for her to do this. She does a lot of gun promo programmes. Danica to contact her.

Discussion on Bailey having an allergic reaction to a bee sting. Should we have an epi pen in our first aid kit? Danica questions whether we should do this as Benedryl would be the best thing to have as it won't do any harm where an epi pen could.

Mat - waterfowl report. Is that still on the go? Rayshawn to check on that.

Mat asked about the Clinton Raceway event where we had a display set up. How successful was that? Not successful. We were put into the childrens section so it appears to be a wasted effort.

East Shed - has anything been done on the repairs? A short discussion on this.

September BOD Meeting will be on Thursday 21st September, at the Hullett office. 7:00 PM.

October BOD Meeting to be on Tuesday 24th October to avoid Halloween.

Adjourned 9:57 PM