

**The Richland County Fish & Game Protective Association Inc.
BOARD MEETING AGENDA
Thursday, March 21, 2024**

The meeting was called to order at 6:34 pm by Joe Tucker, President.

Ron Robinson led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and Hank Webb gave an opening prayer.

1. Ron Robinson took the roll.

Joe Tucker, President - Present

Mike Hoffman, Vice-President - Present

Cory Clark, Treasurer - Present

Ron Robinson, Secretary - Present

Misti Clark, Membership Secretary - Present

Matt Carey, Board Member - Present

Steve Chambers, Board Member - Present

Dan Kardasz, Board Member - Present

Jan Koon, Board Member - Present

Tim Maust, Board Member - Absent

Hank Webb, Board Member - Present

Jeff Williams, Board Member – Present

There were no additional members present.

2. Ron Robinson then read the minutes from the Membership Meeting on March 6th, 2024. There were no additions or corrections noted. Mike Hoffman made a motion to accept the minutes, and it was seconded by Jeff Williams. All were in favor, none opposed. Motion Passed.

3. Cory Clark then gave the treasurer report for February 2024.

The CD at Mechanics Bank was closed and moved to Firelands CU on March 7th, 2024. The CD was opened for \$100,000.00 and the rate was 4.59% over 12 months guaranteed. Cory was thanked by everyone for getting this done. Cory, Joe Tucker, and Mike Hoffman are listed on the

CD.

A motion was made by Hank Webb to accept the treasurer's report and seconded by Mike Hoffman. All were in favor, and none opposed. Motion passed.

4. Misti Clark then gave the membership secretary report. Of the 31 letters that went out to new members 29 replied and paid on time. She has now sent two more letters to the first two applicants that were drawn at the February Board Meeting as backups. These two prospective members have until April 6th, 2024 to reply and pay their dues and initiation fee. The first orientation will be on Saturday, March 30th, 2024 at 8am. Anyone unable to attend will be able to attend the second orientation on Saturday, April 27th, 2024. Anyone unable to attend one of those two sessions needs to contact Misti Clark.

5. Joe then asked for committee leaders to report:

Archery – Dan – Getting ready to pressure wash shooting tower then will seal to help preserve it as weather permits.

Building/Grounds – Steve – Was notified by neighbor Deb Noel about an upcoming hazardous disposal event at Richland County Fairgrounds on April 20th, 2024. Going to go through garages and buildings to see what we can get rid of. There is a long list of what they will take. This is a free event. There will another one in the fall on October 19th, 2024. She recommended we be in line early as it is a very popular event. There are parts on order for the Gravelly zero turn and those should be in soon.

Farm - Mike – Waiting for the weather to warm up and dry out.

Lake – Jeff – The overflow on the upper pond has been repaired.

He also stated he has pricing for fish for the year. Fish to be purchased was discussed at length. See notes under New Business.

Pheasants – Joe – No change here.

Rifle/Pistol Ranges – Hank – Hank presented a plan to rebuild and improve backstops at both pistol and rifle range. The plan is built to try and keep the ranges open as much as possible, but they will be closed when work is actively being done for the safety of everyone. These dates will be posted on Facebook page and Web as they become available. Step one is to remove trees and brush from hillside on Pistol range. This is being planned for the workday on March 30th, weather permitting.

There are volunteers that expressed interest in helping and they will be notified as needed. Anyone wanting to see plan ask Hank and he will be glad to share.

Sporting Clays – Cory – He has cleaned and serviced all the throwers. They are ready to be deployed and set during the workday on March 30th, if not sooner. Once throwers are set

they will need volunteers to help cut and brush or limbs needing trimmed.

Sportsmanship – Ron – He verified remaining deer stands were removed within time limits. Nothing else new to report.

Trap – Matt – Jeff Gerbrick was present prior to the meeting and picked up Trap money box. Trap will start on Wednesday, April 3rd, 2024. Times will be 4pm for practice and 5pm for shoots.

These will be weekly through the end of October. Jeff was again thanked for he and his wife volunteering to keep this program running. Matt will be his point of contact with the board and will assist Jeff as needed.

6. Old Business

A. Discussion of demolition of church.

Joe and Mike have tried to get bids from local companies to demolish the church. None have responded. There was a lot of discussion on how to go forward with this project. James Tucker and Dan Kardasz have already started pulling paneling and insulation down inside the church. After much discussion Hank Webb made a motion that we do a self-demolition of the church. This can be done on workdays and anyone wanting to help would be more than welcome to assist on other days as well. The motion also would approve up to \$3,000 for a dumpster and the dumping of the dumpster and any other needed goods. Jeff Williams seconded the motion. All were in favor, and none were opposed. The motion passed.

The plan is to dig a hole for a burn pit and all wood products could be burned. All non-burnable products would be placed in the dumpster and hauled away, reducing the cost. The cement blocks will be accumulated on the concrete pad and used as fill for future projects.

7. New Business

A. Fish to purchase for Spring. After much discussion a motion was made by Cory Clark to allocate \$7,000.00 to fish for the spring. The fish to be purchased would be Perch, Hybrid Bluegill, and Amur. (Amur is a algae eating fish and only a couple are needed.) Matt Carey seconded the motion. All were in favor, none were opposed. Motion passed. It was also noted that in the fall we would purchase Trout since many members noted that when we purchase trout in the Spring they taste like “dog food” and they tend to taste better once they have the winter to mature.

B. Review of Standing Rules. Every current rule was reviewed. Many were changed, some more than others, and some were added. This was a very vigorous process, and all were active in the conversations. Misti Clark has the electronic file of the current rules and will make the changes and provide them for all board members to review before publishing. All board members will respond to Joe and Misti with approval or any changes. These will be available at the next Membership Meeting on April 3rd, 2024, and will also be given to the new members at the Orientation on March 30th, 2024.

Joe Then asked if there was any other New Business needing to be discussed. There was none.

Joe then thanked everyone for their input and cooperation.

8. Hank Webb made a motion to Adjourn the meeting and it was quickly seconded by Jeff Williams. All were in favor, and nobody opposed. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.