

**The Richland County Fish & Game Protective Association Inc.
MEMBER MEETING
Wednesday, May 1, 2024**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Joe Tucker.

Ron Robinson led the Pledge of Allegiance and Hank Webb said an opening prayer.

1. Ron Robinson then took roll call:

**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 - Absent
Jan Koon, Board Member - Present
Tim Maust, Board Member - Present
Hank Webb, Board Member - Present
Jeff Williams, Board Member – Absent**

There were 24 members present in addition to the above board members.

2. Ron Robinson read the Board Meeting Minutes from the April 18th, 2024 board meeting. There were no corrections. A motion was made by James Tucker to accept the minutes, it was seconded by Dave Kuhn. All were in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

**3. Cory Clark then gave the Treasurer's Report:
A motion was made by Jerry Miller to accept the report as given. It was seconded by Elwood Keinath. All were in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.**

4. Misti Clark then gave the Membership Secretary Report. The membership is full! All 310 paying members have paid and all but one has completed orientation. The last one will be in orientation this coming Saturday.

5. Joe Tucker then asked for committee reports:

**Archery – Dan Kardasz is absent. Joe reported nothing to report.
Building/Grounds – Steve Chambers, Thanks to Cory and Dan for putting up the Handicap signs in the parking area. New “Members Only” sign for the end of the driveway is being designed. Will have proposal soon.**

Farm – Mike Hoffman, food plots are plowed, will disc them tomorrow. Once they are rained on we will get them planted. Demolition on the church is proceeding well. Inside walls are down and most of exterior siding.

Lake – Jeff Williams is absent. Ron Robinson stated that the algae chemicals were put in the lake on Saturday by himself with the assistance of Ken Oney. He also mentioned neither one of them fell in.

Pheasants – Tim Maust, All on track. Weed eaten inside and around the pen this past Saturday.

Rifle/Pistol Ranges – Hank Webb, the hillside on the backstop at the pistol range was cleared this past Saturday. Thanks to everyone that assisted. They also cleaned out the shooting house on the pistol range and it can now be used.

Sporting Clays – Jan Koon, the last shoot on 4/20/24, there were 39 shooters and \$1,430.00 was taken in. That total is without expenses removed.

Sportsmanship – Ron Robinson, nothing to report. Everyone seems to be getting along and following the rules.

Trap – Matt Carey, tonight was first night it didn’t rain. Took in \$631.84 cents. Averaging 4 cases of clays per night but tonight they used 6 cases. Matt was asked if he asked Jeff Gerbrick about members only shoot to learn event? This can happen any Wednesday evening at 7:30 pm. We could also try to arrange on a Saturday afternoon. He will have further discussion with Jeff about a Saturday event.

6. Joe then covered old business:

A. Update on Gun Raffle – Mike Hoffman gave an update that ticket sales are going very well. Only 135 of the 1,000 tickets are remaining to be sold. As soon as they are sold, if before

next board meeting, we will draw the winners. First person drawn has choice of the two guns, the second person drawn will receive the remaining gun. Guns will be picked up at Riverside Guns and Drive Thru in Galion and all proper paperwork will be filed there.

- B. Bird Shooting Preserve License – Joe reported that all is going well. He received the bird tags from ODNR today. When signs are received we will need help getting them all posted.

Joe asked if there was any other old business to discuss. There was none noted.

7. Joe then moved to New Business:

- A. Oversight Committee – Joe stated that with Matt Carey becoming a board member we need a second person to be on the Financial Oversight Committee. The task of this committee is to arrive 30 minutes prior to membership meetings and review all expenditures and financial records for accuracy. Is anyone interested in volunteering? Dave Kuhn volunteered and will meet with Cory Clark after the meeting. Big thanks to Dave for volunteering.

- B. Owens Property Transfer – Joe thanked Chuck Dosier for bringing this up at the last membership meeting. There are some things that the new board is not aware of, and this was one of them. Joe and Cory Clark went through the file and found the appropriate paperwork. Cory and Misti Clark took the paperwork and went to the lawyer to execute. After obtaining several signatures this process has now been completed. Thanks again to Cory and Misti Clark for taking on this task and completing it.

- C. Family Picnic – Joe opened the floor for discussion about the annual family picnic. Many things have been done in the past and the board would like a consensus on how the membership would like to proceed. After much discussion it was decided that most people liked the pulled pork. Each board member will prepare 2-3 pork butts and bring to the picnic. All attending will bring a side dish to share. The date and time of

the event was also discussed. The consensus was August 24th, 2024 at 1:00 pm. Other ideas discussed was a bounce house for kids, possibly a dunk tank, cornhole tournament, raffles, and a 50/50 drawing. Anyone with additional input please contact a board member with your ideas.

Joe then asked if there was any further new business needing discussed.

Robert “Buck” Rogers, requested the use of club grounds for a hunters education course for youth. This was quickly approved by the board. The date will be August 18th, 2024. Anyone having a youth interested please contact Buck directly.

Buck also asked about using the pistol range for scouts unit to qualify for a merit badge. This was also approved with a tentative date of June 22nd, 2024. Once finalized Buck will notify the board.

Other youth events were also discussed and Joe noted that the board will take the issue up and provide response. There are grants available if a sufficient number of youth events are planned and we would like to research.

There was no other new business noted.

Joe again thanked Elwood for providing donuts for those in attendance tonight. Everyone applauded!

- 8. Ron Muth then made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Jerry Miller. All were in favor, none opposed. Motion Passed.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.