

The Richland County Fish & Game Protective Association Inc.
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, November 21, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 pm by Joe Tucker. Ron Robinson led the Pledge of Allegiance and Hank Webb spoke an opening prayer.

1. Ron Robinson then read the roll call:
 - Joe Tucker, President - Present
 - Mike Hoffman, Vice-President - Present
 - Cory Clark, Treasurer - Absent
 - 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 - Present
 - Hank Webb, Board Member - Present
 - Jeff Williams, Board Member – Present

There were no other members present.

2. Ron Robinson then read the minutes from the November 6th, 2024, Membership Meeting. There was one change noted to the wording of the donation made back to the club from the youth hunt. It was made to read “The \$500.00 was donated to the club to offset the cost of the birds used for the youth hunt.” With that change being made Hank Webb made a motion to accept the minutes and Jeff Williams seconded it. All were in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.
3. Cory was absent so in his place Misti Clark gave the Treasurers Report:

A motion was made by Ron Robinson to accept the report as read and it was seconded by Tim Maust. All were in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.
4. Misti Clark then gave the Membership Secretary Report:

So far 13 members and spouses have paid and registered for the Christmas party. Need all paid no later than the December

Membership Meeting. As a reminder the party is December 21st, 2024, at the Der Dutchman Restaurant at 97 and 71.

5. Joe then asked for Committee Reports:

Archery – Dan, all good.

Building/Grounds – Steve, UTV serviced and back in garage.

Received a quote on snow removal from E and H Property Management. Looking for another quote.

Farm – Mike, All good. Joe and Mike are meeting with the CRP people on 12/20/24 to discuss mowing and burning for next spring.

Lake – Jeff, All good. People catching trout.

Pheasants – Tim, all good just fed again tonight. May need more straw soon. Also, a reminder we will be having Hunter Field Trials at the club on 2/20/24 and 3/25/24. We will have a lot of guests on those days so may need some volunteers. More to come.

Rifle/Pistol Ranges – Hank, all good. Need some new backstops at pistol range and rifle range. Will get that done Saturday. Also going to burn pile of debris if weather cooperates.

Sporting Clays – Jan, nothing to report.

Sportsmanship – Ron, all good. Reminder to SLOW DOWN on driveway to all. Lots of dogs are running this time of year.

Trap – Matt, nothing to report.

6. Joe then moved to Old Business:

A. Membership Dues Increase – Joe, membership input has been mostly positive on the proposed increase. I think we have done a great job of presenting it to the membership and requesting their feedback. We have talked about it for the last three months. It is now time to vote on what to do. Hank Webb made a motion that we raise the annual dues to \$400.00 starting with the coming year. Jan Koon seconded the motion. All were in favor, none opposed. Motion Passed. Joe and Misti will develop a letter to go to all the membership with the application for membership renewal.

B. Election of Officers Discussion – Joe has asked Dick Spayde to run the election of officers and board members at the December meeting. This will take the pressure off the current officers and board members running for re-election. We will also request vote counters from the membership in attendance to keep the

appearance of any bias out of the process. Dick will take motions and nominees from the floor and volunteers will count the votes.

C. New Members and Workdays – It was identified that not all new members complete their mandatory two workdays a year. After much discussion it was decided that we will withhold new membership cards until the two days have been completed. This process will be addressed in the new membership orientation. ALL members are highly encouraged to work at least two workdays per year.

7. Joe then asked for any New Business:

A. Thanksgiving Day Bonus Bird Hunt – Tim Maust asked the board if we could add a bonus bird to members hunt on Thanksgiving Day. Traditionally this day is a big day for members to Pheasant hunt. He proposed to purchase some Chukar's to add to the members current two pheasants for release on Thanksgiving Day. After much discussion there was a motion made by Mike Hoffman to designate \$500.00 to purchase Chukar's for this Bonus Bird Hunt. It was quickly seconded by Matt Carey. All were in favor, none opposed. Motion passed. Tim will work with Mike to secure as many Chukar's as he can for this day. They will be given out first come first serve and any leftovers will be available the next release day.

8. Hank Webb then made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was quickly seconded by Jan Koon. All were in favor, none opposed. Motion passed

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 pm.