The Richland County Fish & Game Protective Association Inc. MEMBER MEETING MINUTES Wednesday, February 5, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Joe Tucker. Tim Maust led the Pledge of Allegiance and Hank Webb spoke an opening prayer.

1. Joe Tucker took the roll call:

Joe Tucker, President - Present
Mike Hoffman, Vice-President - Present
Cory Clark, Treasurer - Present
Ron Robinson, Secretary - Absent
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

- 2. Joe Tucker read the minutes from the January 16, 2025 Board Meeting. There were no additions or corrections requested. Buck Rogers made a motion to accept the minutes and it was seconded by Jeff Weithman. All were in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.
- 3. Cory Clark gave the January, 2025 Treasurer's report:

There were no additions or corrections noted. James Tucker made a motion to accept the report as given and it was seconded by Buck Rogers. All were in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

4. Misti Clark gave the Membership Secretary Report:

It appears that it can be approximately 14 days from the postmark date, as to when mail is being delivered. Because of the time delay, 2025 dues payments are not finalized. Including the applications received tonight, there are several new member applicants. Misti will give an update when she gets through all paperwork.

Misti also reported she had received a Thank-You note from Jim Ernsberger and his family for being recognized at the RCFG Christmas Party.

5. Joe asked for committee reports:

Archery – Dan, nothing to report. As per sign-in sheets, there were 18 deer harvested for the 2024-25 season.

Building/Grounds – Steve, nothing to report.

Farm – Mike, mowing is done. Tim McMillen delivered 2 bags of roundup ready corn and 1 bag of beans for food plots.

Lake - Jeff, be sure it is safe before ice fishing.

Pheasants – Tim, the season lasted until January 25, 2025. It was a very good year. Joe commented about the good pen management.

Rifle/Pistol Ranges – Hank, ranges are open again. It was clarified that during hunting season, the ranges are open on Sunday afternoon. The schedule follows the Archery deer season.

Sporting Clays – Jan, schedule has been determined for the 2025 season: April 5 & 13, May 3 & 18, June 7 & 15, July 5 & 20, August 2 & 17, September 6 & 21. Volunteers are needed. Sportsmanship – Joe, reminder that deer season ended February 3, 2025. Members have 30 days to remove stands and blinds from that date.

Trap – Matt, target date is the first week of April, 2025. To be determined, the possibility of a 40-bird shoot for late March, 2025.

6. Joe moved to Old Business:

A. 2025 Projects

In addition to projects discussed at January 16, 2025 Board Meeting:

Greg Eyster volunteered to build wood duck houses and Ron Muth volunteered to build bluebird houses. Cory will make arrangements to obtain needed materials.

Field 2 – sink hole will be filled.

7. Joe moved to New Business:

A. Discuss Pheasant Season

Members, who were present, commented that 3,000 birds with 50/50 hens and roosters was well received and were in agreement to do the same for next season. Due to the great turnout, Chukars will again be included for Thanksgiving. Joe will check with game warden about hawks.

B. Discuss Loader Attachments Joe and Mike will continue to check on prices for a grapple bucket and pallet forks.

C. Suggestions for Standing Rules If anyone has suggestions for Standing Rules, please bring those ideas to the March 5, 2025 Member Meeting. At the March 20, 2025 Board Meeting, Standing Rules will be reviewed and accepted.

8. Upcoming Events:

February 8, 2025 – Guided Pheasant Hunts for those chosen at the Youth Hunt drawing on October 19, 2024. Hunts will be at 9:00 am and 1:00 pm in Fields 9 and 11.

February 15, 2025 – Hunter Education Course – seats available. Check Facebook or website for registration information.

February 22, 2025 – Hunters Trials – Check HuntersTrials.com or contact Tim Maust for more information. Profits from the event will go into the RCFG Clubhouse Building Fund. The January 25, 2025 event generated \$500.00. Volunteers needed.

There is interest for a 2025 Christmas Party. Misti will check the availability of locations.

9. Hank Webb made a motion to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Buck Rogers. All were in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:18 pm.