

Council Bluffs Fish and Game Club
Board of Directors Meeting
July 11, 2023

President Jon Barnes called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Board Members Present: Jon Barnes, Sam Barta, Paula Woodard, Bill Campbell, Larry Cooper, Mary Kay Peters, Nich McVay, Jim McVay, Ryan Campbell and Roger Amburn .

Board Members Absent: Jay Wilson

Other Members Present: Marcy Lucas, Gavin Campbell and Frank Daub

Minutes for the Board Meeting of June 13, 2023 were provided by Paula Woodard and were reviewed. Larry Cooper made motion to approve the minutes with Nich McVay second. All present in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Sam Barta, Treasurer, provided the accountability statement for the period ending June 30, 2023. He reported income and expense of for that month. A full copy of the financial report is available to members in the dining room at the club.

Sam noted the large expense of \$ 2,698.97 was for the repair of the upstairs porch floor. \$1,071.99 was for the new downstairs patio furniture. The current patio furniture was then put on the upstairs porch. The \$1,167.89 was for the July 4th fireworks provided by The Friends of Lake Manawa and the kid's fishing tournament.

Jon Barnes noted that the Edward Jones Representative, Amber, shall be at our August meeting to discuss possible methods to increase our Edward Jones account. Sam did note that the account has been increased \$7,622.37 since November 2022.

The current total Cash and Investment amount is \$140,812.09. Bill Campbell made motion to accept the Treasurer Report with Jim McVay second. All present in favor.

Presentation of Vouchers: Sam Barta presented the June vouchers which appear

in detail in the financial report for approval. Larry Cooper made motion to accept the vouchers with Nich McVay second. All present in favor.

Approval of New Members: Ten (10) applications were reviewed for approval. We welcome new members Jim & Jeannette Pavko, Matt Evans & Chenice Perdue, Bennett Bleuschen & Lana Leuschen, Michael O'Neill & Nancy Sterbens, Brent & Brook Parsons, Paul & Jo McMillin, Ken & Shawna McClure, James & Mandy Campbell, Andy Wilson & Teri Wise and Greg & Tricia Jones.

At this time we have 706 members with these ten new members. The April non-pay renewals have been deleted, and the May non-pay renewal members shall be contacted.

Jon Barnes asked Sam Barta, Treasurer, if the renewals can be automatically obtained from the member with their prior approval. Sam explained that we would need to keep track of members credit card numbers, which could be a problem. Plus keeping track of the payments and updating our current member database system could get confusing. It was decided to not look into this option at this time.

Motion was made by Mary Kay Peters to accept approval of the report, Nich McVay second. All present in favor.

WARDENS REPORTS

BUILDING: Provided by Warden Nich McVay:

Grease Traps – Nich replaced the kitchen grease traps.

Stairway Rail Extension – Nich is looking into extending the stairway rail going to the second floor as it does not reach all the way to the bottom step.

BOATS & DOCKS: Presented by Warden Bill Campbell:

Boat Ramp Dock – Frank Daub, member, explained that some of the boards on the older portion of the dock are spaced too far apart, and he has a problem walking and fishing using his cane or walker. Bill said that he understands and we will look into fixing this.

Boat Lift for Paddle Boats – Larry Cooper has been in touch with the person that has a boat lift available. The lift is currently stuck deep in mud and he is trying to get an excavator in there to get it out.

Paddles – Bill Campbell will obtain two more paddles. Larry Cooper suggested we put foam swimming noodles on the middle of the paddles so they won't sink if they fall into the water.

GROUNDS: Provided by Warden Larry Cooper:

Weed wacker - Gavin Campbell, caretaker, needs a new weedwacker as the existing one doesn't work well any longer. Bill Campbell made motion for the club to purchase a new weed wacker. Jim McVay second. All present in favor.

Weeds on the Grounds – Gavin Campbell has sprayed the grounds area for weeds a couple times so far.

Larry Cooper made motion to accept the Wardens Reports with Jim McVay second. All present in favor.

OLD BUSINESS:

Paddleboat Lift – As noted above in the Wardens Report, Larry Cooper noted that the person he has been dealing with still has the boat lift available and he is trying to get it out of mud.

Budget Planning – Jon Barnes asked for suggestions of necessary upgrades. Bill Campbell noted he hoped to have the boat dock fixed within 30–60 days, and it would probably cost around \$1,000 for supplies. Then it was noted that the flooring of the downstairs patio also needs to be repaired, and it was agreed this needs to be done soon. It was also decided that we need to look into prices of different tables and chairs for the dining area. It was also discussed of updating the walls and flooring first.

July 4th Boat Decoration & Fireworks – The club Boat Decoration Event was held July 4th, and the winners were Brent & Brook Parsons and Jake & Shayla Hiffernan, with both winning 1 year memberships. The firework display was rescheduled for Wednesday, July 5th because of severe weather. Nich McVay and his Scout Troop began cooking hamburgers & hot dogs just prior to the cancellation being announced. Because of this, they did not break even for their purchase of the food supply. Jon Barnes noted that he, Jay Wilson and Nich McVay discussed reimbursing the troop for the food. A motion was made by Bill Campbell to reimburse the scouts for the food. Larry Coopery second. All present in favor.

Nich provided Paula Woodard with a copy of the food receipt, and she will send it and a check request to Sam Barta to cut the check. Also, we thank Ken McClure who came both Tuesday and Wednesday as security for this event. He did a great job.

Lockbox National Bank – Paula Woodard has delivered the required paperwork to the bank for the prior board officers to be deleted and for Jon Barnes, Jay Wilson and Sam Barta, current officers, to be added to the lock box. Jon, Jay and Sam will go down and provide their signatures.

New Tables & Chairs for porch – Nich McVay picked up the new tables and chairs for the downstairs porch as approved at the June 2023 meeting. The existing tables were then taken to the upstairs porch, so that area can be enjoyed too.

Stairway Railing Extension – It was discussed at the June meeting that the stairway railing stops 2 steps short and needs to be extended. Nich McVay and Bill Campbell discussed the best way to fix this.

Painting the Outside of the Building – Paul Larson volunteered to do paint touch up on the outside of the building. Jon Barnes noted that had been an issue with the paint color, but that is now fixed and he shall soon begin painting.

New Paddles – It was noted that a couple paddles need to be replaced and another one has disappeared. As noted in the Warden's Report above, Bill Campbell shall pick up a couple new paddles.

NEW BUSINESS:

Edward Jones Advisor – Jon Barnes and Sam Barta has held a discussion with our representative Amber, and it has been arranged that she shall attend the upcoming August monthly meeting to provide suggestions of possible changes to our account.

Scouts Outside Cleanup – Paula Woodard asked Nich McVay if his scouts would be interested in doing a some clean up at the club as a project. He thought they would be interested and they might be able to do it Saturday, August 19th when they will be camping next door. A list of tasks can be created to let them know what projects we would like done, such as clean the leaves and bark around the grounds fencing.

Catfish Tournament Aug 19 – 20 : The permit request has been sent in to the

DNR. The board approved the wording of the application and rules forms so Paula Woodard will have them printed up. Fliers have been hung in the building, and notices will be put on Facebook and the website. Mary Kay Peters will also send out an email blast.

Spiders Outside of Building – Bill Campbell had Paula obtain a quote for our current pest vendor to spray the outside of the building in the spring and fall for spiders. The quote states it would be \$85.00 each time for a total of \$170.00 annually above the normal charge for spraying inside the building. It was agreed that this needs to be done. Paula Woodard will set it up with our vendor.

GOOD OF THE ORDER (Comments from Board Members and visitors):

1. Bill Campbell noted that the price charged by our vendors as well as the price of supplies has increased the past few years, which really eats into our budgets. Also, our taxes are being increased approximately \$3,000 due to this years recent assessment of the grounds and property. Therefore, he suggests that at the October Annual Board Meeting we vote to increase the dues from \$132.00 plus sales tax for a total of \$141.24 to a flat \$170.00 amount annually, with tax included in that amount. He also suggested that new applicants pay the \$170.00 plus \$30.00 administrative fee for a total of \$200.00. We currently charge \$194.74 including sales tax for new applications. At the upcoming August monthly board meeting Bill will provide a formal request for the change to be made to the club constitution.
2. Nich McVay suggested that we look into obtaining some new security cameras as our original vendor who handled our security system is no longer available. He noted that we can purchase 10 cameras at this time for just \$399.00. These cameras would be accessible to certain board members on their cell phones as necessary. A motion was made by Nich McVay to purchase the new cameras, Bill Campbell second, and all present in favor.

Adjournment: With no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 pm by Bill Campbell and seconded by Ryan Campbell. All present in favor.

Respectfully submitted by: Paula Woodard, Secretary