Council Bluffs Fish and Game Club Board of Directors Meeting October 10, 2023

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

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

Board Members Absent: Roger Amburn

Other Members Present: Jeremy Meyers, Paul & Kandy Coffman, Marcy Lucas and Gavin Campbell

<u>Minutes for the Board Meeting</u> of September 12, 2023 were provided by Paula Woodard and were reviewed. Larry Cooper made motion to approve the minutes with Jim McVay second. All present in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Sam Barta, Treasurer, provided the accountability statement for the period ending September 30, 2023. He reported income and expense for that month. Sam noted the recent Annual Fish Fry successfully brought in \$670.00. He also noted the bulk of the expenses were for the usual monthly expenses. However, the larger expense of \$1,779.76 is mostly for the printing and postage of the two mailings we sent regarding the upcoming vote to raise the dues, and for the upcoming Annual Board Meeting.

The Edward Jones account is \$2,000 less than last month, but it is still higher than last year at this time. The current total Cash and Investment amount can be seen on the report which is attached to the bulletin board at the club.

Ryan Campbell made motion to accept the Treasurer Report with Larry Cooper second. All present in favor.

Presentation of Vouchers: Sam Barta presented the September vouchers which appear in detail in the financial report for approval. Nich McVay made motion to accept the vouchers with Larry Cooper second. All present in favor.

Approval of New Members: One (1) application was reviewed for approval. We welcome new member Mike and Angie Mittan. At this time we have 682 members with this new member. Motion was made by Bill Campbell to accept approval of the report, Larry Cooper second. All present in favor.

WARDENS REPORTS

<u>BUILDING</u>: Presented by Warden Nick McVay.

Kitchen Sink – replaced one set of kitchen faucets.

<u>**Kitchen Electric Outlet**</u> – Nich and Jim McVay replaced one of the kitchen electric outlets.

<u>Stairs Railing</u> – Nich and Jim McVay stained the additional new piece of railing for the upstairs steps.

<u>Pop Machine</u> – Nich fixed the coin operation on the pop machine again. It appears that some one puts penny's in the machine instead of quarters, which messes it up.

<u>Water Fountain</u> – The water fountain in the back hallway is broke. Larry Cooper made a motion the water fountain be replaced. Mary Kay Peters seconded, and all present in favor. Jay Wilson offered to look into pricing and availability. Paul Coffman provided advice as his work place recently replaced theirs.

<u>Building Painting</u> – Jon Barnes noted that the back of the building and pillars on the porch have been touched up. This is an ongoing project.

BOATS & DOCKS: Presented by Warden Bill Campbell:

<u>Aerators</u> – Bill noted that the aerators will be put up soon. Because of the drop in the water level of the lake, some of them will have to be replaced with longer tubing. Bill also noted that the lake level is at the lowest amount since 1956.

Kayaks – The watercraft shall be put into storage soon.

Boat Ramp Problem - It was noted that the ramp issue people are having with getting their boats out of the water is because they are improperly loading their boats and the low water level. Larry Cooper confirmed that we had put some

cement in the area to help the issue. Hopefully this will resolve itself in the spring with more water.

<u>**Repair of Dock**</u> – Bill noted that he is working on a plan to repair the portion of the dock that was destroyed by last springs ice floats. The repair is at a stand still for now as they plan how to make improvements so this doesn't happen again next spring.

<u>GROUNDS</u>: Presented by Warden Larry Cooper:

<u>Snow Plowing</u> – Larry noted that Tim Lustgraaf has offered to provide snow removal for the club's parking lot.

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

OLD BUSINESS:

Dock Repair – As noted in the August meeting minutes, Bill is working on a plan to repair the docks in a way they won't be damaged again next year.

Stairway Railing Extension – As noted by Jim McVay in the Wardens report above, it has been stained.

<u>**Painting the Outside of the Building**</u> – Paul Larson has begun to do touch up paint work on the outside of the building. Jon Barnes noted this is an on going project.

<u>Security Cameras</u> – Nich McVay ordered new security cameras, and shall be installing them. The current cameras will remain, but the video for the new ones can immediately be pulled up on board members phones if necessary.

Increase of Dues – We sent out a notice for the upcoming vote on increasing the renewal dues to \$170.00 annually. We received several emails from members supporting the increase, and a few emails with suggests of things that need to be worked on at the club. Also, we received one email disagreeing with the increase, and the secretary received a phone call from a member noting some in her group do not agree with the increase. I asked her to please attend the annual meeting on Oct 19th to put her objections forward before the vote. Another member suggested their be a tier of dues by which areas of the club they use. It was noted that this had been

discussed in the past, and would not work. All members are able to vote on the issue, but must be present to do so.

Annual October 2023 Board Meeting - Notices of the upcoming meeting has been sent via US Mail to all members. A notice has been put up in the building and put on our Website. An email blast has been sent out, and it was stated that we are looking to replace 3 of the current board members. A sign up sheet has been put up in the building. Jon Barnes submitted a rough copy of his annual President's Scoreboard Report and asked the board for any input that needs to be changed. After the discussion, Jon said he will provide Paula, the secretary, with an updated copy to be presented at the meeting. Jeremy Meyers, Paul Coffman and Marcy Lucas introduced themselves, and explained that they are interested in being on the board. Paula Woodard noted that she will be creating the voting ballots in the next couple days. She also noted that she shall be obtaining the cookies that will be served at the annual meeting. It was suggested that we also set out a table with the club's t-shirts and hoodies for attending members to purchase. Jon Barnes made a motion for Bob Olson to be made a Life Member for past services he provided. Nich McVay seconded. 7 remaining board members voted yea, and 1 voted nay. The motion passed.

Investment Account Change – Sam Barta created and presented to the board a suggested investment policy. The Objective is to establish guidelines and thresholds for investing funds with Edward Jones Financial. The Purpose is to provide guidance to Edward Jones Financial and allow them to manage and allocate funds according to the following policy. 20% of the funds would be allocated to a Money Market Fund up to \$25,000 (This would be for savings for future projects the club will have.), 40% of the funds would be allocated to conservative investments up to \$60,000 (this would be bonds, etc.), and 40% would be allocated to more aggressive investments for the remaining balance. Sam explained that the plan can be changed as necessary at any time in the future by the board, and that there would be no penalties charged for those changes. After much discussion, Bill Campbell made a motion to accept Sam's proposal as suggested, Nick McVay 2nd, 7 remaining board members voted yea and 1 noted nay.

<u>Kid's Annual Halloween Party</u> – Barb Cooper has ordered the bounce house to be delivered and set up for the kid's entertainment. Also, fliers have been hung in the building and put on the website. Mary Kay shall send out email blasts, and the information shall be put on Face Book. Once again we plan on have a Trunk or Treat. Paula has been discussing the food options with the ladies.

<u>Annual Soup Supper</u> - Fliers have been hung in the building and also put on our website. An Email Blast shall be sent, and the information put on Face Book. Paula will be discussing the set up and foods with the ladies.

<u>Mole Traps</u> – Gavin Campbell has set the mole traps out.

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

Fish Fry Food – Larry Cooper thanked the ladies who supplied the side dishes for the recent Annual Fish Fry. Larry Made a motion that the ladies be given a free lunch as a thank you. Jay Wilson 2^{nd} , and all present in favor.

<u>Chili/Bingo Cook Off</u> – Jay Wilson suggested we hold a chili cook off when we do our first Bingo event. All on the board were excited with the idea. Paula will discuss with the ladies.

Adjournment: With no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm by Larry Cooper and seconded by Nich McVay. All present in favor.

Respectfully submitted by: Paula Woodard, Secretary