

Council Bluffs Fish & Game Club  
Board of Directors Meeting  
November 14, 2023

President Jay Wilson called the meeting to order at 7pm

Board Members Present: Jay Wilson, Nich McVay (by phone), Sam Barta, Mary Kay Peters, Paul Coffman, Larry Cooper (by phone), Ryan Campbell, Jim McVay, Chris Nadler, Marcy Lucas

Board Members Absent: Bill Campbell

Other Members Present: Paula Woodard and Gavin Campbell

**Board Meeting Minutes:** Minutes for the previous board meeting of October 10, 2023 were provided by Mary Kay Peters and were reviewed for approval. Ryan Campbell made a motion to approve the minutes with Sam Barta second. All present in favor.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sam Barta, Treasurer, provided the accountability statement for the period ending October 31, 2023. He reported income of \$1329.18 and expenses of \$14,372.71. Sam noted that October through the fall is usually down time for membership income through dues. We also had a large expenditure for tax paid out in October. The Edward Jones Account Balance is \$96,200.04 for Oct 31, 2023. This is the end of the fiscal year. The current Cash and Investment total is \$126,461.21 Mary Kay Peters made a motion to accept the Treasurer Report with Ryan Campbell second. All present in favor.

**Presentation of Vouchers:** and Sam Barta presented the October vouchers which appear in detail in the financial report for approval. Jim McVay made a motion to approve the vouchers with Larry Cooper second. All present in favor.

**Approval of New Members:** No new membership applications were noted for this past month, though we did have several renewals. We currently have a total membership count of 681. No motion was necessary since no new members applied this past month.

**Wardens Reports**

Building- Paul Coffman is still transitioning into the building warden position while Nich transitions out. Nich and Jim McVay had replaced one of the kitchen

electrical outlets last month but it is still having trouble and is an ongoing project. The replacement of the broken water fountain in the back hallway is still being investigated, with measurements taken and different models being considered. A decision on how much it can stick out from the wall still needs to be made. Jay Wilson and Paul Coffman are continuing to work on this. Larry noted that the paper towel dispenser isn't working in the men's bathroom.

Boats and Docks- Bill Campbell was not present at the meeting, he was gone fishing, but it was reported that he and Larry Cooper and Tom Tews had installed the bubbler system for the winter with adjustments made by Tom Tews for the low water level this year. The kayaks will be brought into storage soon for the winter also.

Grounds- Larry Cooper reported that the light on the GFI outlet behind the garage had tripped and wasn't working. He will work on it when he gets back in town.

Ryan Campbell made a motion to accept the Warden Reports with Paul Coffman second. All present in favor.

### **Old Business**

Dock Repair - As noted in the August meeting minutes, the dock repair is still ongoing and Bill is working on a plan for the damaged section to be repaired that would prevent future damage. They are considering changing that section to be floatable in the future.

Painting touch up on the outside of the building - additional painting will wait until next Spring.

Security Cameras - Ryan Campbell offered to set up the 10 new wireless cameras if Nich McVay will bring them into the club and leave them in the basement. The current cameras will remain in place until the new ones are installed.

Annual October 2023 Board Meeting - Members approved the dues increase to \$170 for annual renewals and \$200 for new members effective January 2024. There were 9 board members and 29 club members for a total of 38 voting. Sam Barta provided additional financial information to back up the need for a dues increase. Honorific lifetime member presentation was awarded to Bob Olson, and Member of the Year was given to Paula Woodard. Election of Officers for 2023-2024 was completed. Paul Coffman, Chris Nadler, and Marcy Lucas were voted in

and Paula Woodard, Jon Barnes, and Roger Amburn resigned. All others remained on the board.

Investment Account Structure Change - Sam Barta notified Edward Jones Financial of the approved changes to our investment structure: 20% Money Market Fund/40% Conservative Investments/40% Aggressive Investments. Paperwork needs to be signed off on by Jay, Nich, and Sam.

Kid's Annual Halloween Party - Thanks to Barb Cooper for arranging for the bounce house for the kid's entertainment, they all had a wonderful time. Attendance estimated at 51+ kids, with 14 vehicles at the Trunk or Treat. Everyone enjoyed the hot dogs, chips, juice, and cookies.

Annual Soup Supper - We had a full house with approximately 60 people attending and 13 soups, cornbread, lots of deserts, and \$172 total from the free will donation.

Bingo and Chili Cook-off Date - Ryan Campbell is working on a February date for this event. Once a date is chosen, it will be added to the calendar and advertised.

### **New Business**

Annual Kids Christmas Party w/Santa - Carrie Feeken is planning on holding the party this year on December 10 from 3-5pm. The usual activities are planned with her husband making an appearance as Santa. He was hospitalized last year and she wasn't able to host the party last year, so several board members stepped in to lead activities like cookie decorating, snow ball fighting and storytime. This year her husband is doing better. Decorations will also be provided upstairs.

Review of Club Constitution - The annual membership dues change will be reflected in the Constitution since it was approved at the Annual Meeting, along with the revised \$30 administrative fee for New Members. Also, Article IV - Section 2 on Page 2 of 11 will need to be revised next year to clarify family members serving on the board cannot be voting board members if they are living "in the same household". It was agreed that family members who live independently from each others in separate households may both serve and vote on the board together.

### **Good to the order** (Any other comments from board or guests)

Jay Wilson brought up the fact that several members had requested that a retractable baby gate be installed at the top of the stairs to avoid injuries when toddlers are in the playroom at the top of the stairs. This would also give parents

relief from the worry that a child will fall down the steps accidentally. It was agreed that this would be a good idea, and will be worked on.

Marcy Lucas suggested that we hold a kids craft afternoon in the spring with a kite workshop, and she volunteered to lead it. It was agreed that this would be a good idea also.

**Adjournment**

With no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:15pm by Larry Cooper and seconded by Chris Nadler. All present in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Mary Kay Peters, Secretary