

Meeting Minutes for the 4/7/2018 Conservation Committee Meeting Rev 2

-Call to order by chairman Greg Lewis at 8:00 AM

- Roll Call: Greg Lewis, Dan Fallia , Bill Ruelle , Jim West (Phone), Brian Deutschel, Bill Zimmerman (Phone), Larry Bacci, Adam Lucas and Mike Jolly (Phone) all present. Also present are , Doug Wilson (board liaison), Mitch Spring (Board President)

-Approval of March 2018 CC Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve made by Brian Deutschel and second by Dan Fallia. 9-0 Approved.

Eric Brandon Presentation - District Forester for the USGA

Eric's presentation will be sent attached and posted to the Web Site.

Old Business

H Trail Closure BAR

The H Trail Closure Schedule Bar that was submitted to the board in March was approved with a minor friendly amendment.

Old Business - continued

Proposed Timber Cut for 2018-19

The Committee received a revised 2018-19 Timber Harvest proposal from Terry Manty (3-5-2018). This revised prospectus was updated as requested by the CC committee at the March 2018 meeting with the unit 3 Oak thinning area reduced from 92 Acres to 53 Acres. This change would leave the oaks on the west side of the E trail untouched to provide a future clear contrast between treated (thinned) and untouched oak stands.

Motion made by Brian Deutschel and seconded by Greg Lewis to Issue a BAR to the Board for approval to allow Grossman forestry to send the timber prospectus out for bids. Motion passed 9-0

At the time of writing up these minutes the BAR has been written and forwarded to Mitch Spring for Board consideration in the April 2018 meeting.

Bill Zimmerman to contact Grossman forestry and discuss a means of contractually obligating the wood cutting contractors to begin cuts in the December / January time frame to provide the necessary deer feed during the peak of the winter. The 2017-2018 cut was not started until March so much of the critical winter period was missed.

2017-18 Timber Harvest Update.

The 2017-18 timber harvest has been completed and all logs have been removed. The timber contractor has left a bull dozer on site to provide some required excavation once the frost is out the ground.

Old Business - continued

Deer Management and Timber Management Town Hall Meetings

Three Town Hall meetings planned and will be scheduled by Ian for major summer holiday weekends.

Forest Management Survey and Deer Management Surveys

Surveys have gone out with the April Billing.

Pheasant Preserve Rules Update

Mike Jolly presented the Proposed Pheasant Preserve rules updates. The committee is waiting for legal consul to provide feedback on liability of requiring of proof hunter safety certificates from all participants. Mitch Spring has agreed to present the question to the LLWC attorney for advice. Table until MAY

Fish Stocking Plan

Bill Ruelle provided cost information on various specious of fish that are commonly stocked in the lakes at LLWC. After discussion the following plan will be used to apply for the 2018 DNR Fish Stocking Permits.

Badger Lake

1000 4" -6" Bluegills
750 4"-5" Perch
1000 5"-6" Walleyes
30 Gallons of Fat head Minnows

Lost Lake

1000 4" -6" Bluegills
15 Gallons of Fat head Minnows

Bear Lake

1000 4" -6" Bluegills
15 Gallons of Fat head Minnows
500 Rainbow Trout for Winter Trout Derby
250 Rainbow Trout - Spring Plant

In addition 200 Rainbow Trout will be planted in the Trout Pond prior to Summer.

Regular Item Reports

To Do List - For April

- Check Dams for Winter Damage.
- Conduct Wildlife Gobble and Drumming Surveys.
- Order Trout for Memorial Day Trout pond plant.
- Pull Soil Samples
- Receive Timber Bids
- Determine the field Programs per five year proposal
- Add two boards to beaver lake Dam after Ice out.

Fish, Lakes, Dams - Bill R., Bill Z.,

- Fish Stocking plan, order fish. Fish stocking plan reviewed and DNR permit to be pulled. Fish to be ordered for fall delivery to protect them from commorants.
- Check Damns - All lakes remain frozen with open water at edges. Two boards to go back into Beaver lake control structure after ice out.

Budget -Dan Failla and Brian D.

- No update.

Fields- Greg, Bill R. and Larry

- Greg and Bill Z. will present a planting plan for 2018 at May meeting. Greg working on a plan to get club to 5% openings as prescribed by previous Biologist.

Timber- Mike, Brian and Bill Z.

- Covered under old business.

Turkey Feeders- Jim and Adam

- Adam reported that turkeys are now feeding at both feeders near the horse barn.
- Turkeys tracks have been found near the H trail feeder.
- No sign of turkeys at the Gravel pit feeder.

No Additional Corn added to feeders do to the upcoming turkey season and state laws.

Future Planning - Mike and Brian

- Mike called into the future planning meeting.- CC Committee is looking for a member who can attend mid week meetings.

Pheasant Shoots- Mike and Greg

- Preserve is now closed until August.
- Rules update covered under Old Business.
- Need work bee to remove trees and brush around the tower shoot circle.

Surveys - Jim and Larry

- Jim and Larry are still looking for (1) member to conduct a spring drumming and gobble survey.

Hunters Round Up - Bill R.

Bill to pursue getting the raffle license and to order the guns for the Hunters Roundup.

Articles- Brian and Jim

Jim has articles written on Oak Wilt for April and Mushroom Hunting for May.

Outside Resources- Mike, Bill R. and Bill Z.

Eric Brandon Presentation to April Conservation Committee.

Forest Health- Mike, Greg and Adam

No update. Brian working on a Computer map with Timber age distributions.

Blind Committee- Dan, Bill R. and Larry

New Blind Tags available.

Trail Sports Committee - Bill Z.

No update. Trails are a MUDDY Mess!

Open Forum

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New Business

Rules update.

No activity -Table until May.

TB Testing of Deer at Lost Woods.

Discussed getting a freezer dedicated for use with Deer heads for collection / pickup point for DNR. Table until May.,

Motion to adjourn made by ??? and seconded ???. (Sorry my notes failed me)

Motion Passed 8-0

Meeting Adjourned 11:59 AM.

