



Summary of November 7, 2022 Meeting

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Submitted by Secretary Lloyd Hemstreet

The meeting was called to order by President Joe Howes at 7:30 PM. He led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance, and welcomed guests.

Secretary: The minutes from the October meeting were emailed out, as well as printed out and circulated before the meeting. The minutes of the board meeting, have been printed out, and are up front for review.

Treasurer: Roy Kamps reported that we have \$88,969.00 dollars in the general fund. Everything is paid.

Ill and Injured: Curt Cumberworth's mother, Dorthy, passed away, so keep him and his family in our prayers.

Building: Doc Waldie reported that the critters are coming in, so he is putting out the feed out for them.

Grounds: Jerry Toogood said mowing season is done. If someone wants some hours, they can throw on the backpack, and blow the leaves away from the building.

Range: Greg Place wasn't there, but it was noted that open range day is Saturday. The membership was reminded that our Sunday shooting hours do not start until noon.

Archery: Jay Zink said that 3-D is done for the year, and the 3 practice bags needed to moved inside for the season.

Sporting Clays: Jerry TooGood said the next clay shoot is scheduled for December 18, at 1 PM, with a \$5 fee, weather permitting. Should have a rabbit thrower going.

CMP: Chris Hosington had no report.

MUCC: Arlyn Doornbos had a phone call with the VP, to see if we were still affiliated. They now have quarterly instead of monthly meetings. District meeting was held in Rockford two days later, and Arlyn attended that. There was a lot of discussion about the mandatory deer reporting, the possibility that Michigan will drop the Robin as the State bird and go to the Kirkland Warbler, and the waterfall numbers have been poor so far at the Muskegon Waste Water to start the season.

Legislative: Larry Crandle said there may be an election tomorrow. He recommended that all vote like

their freedom depends on it. There was also some discussion of political shenanigans trying to be pulled with the public access at Fisherman's Landing.

Hunting: some misses reported.

Fishing: The wind and rain have been messing with it.

Trapping Report: It has been slow, because it is warm. It was recommended to shoot skunks with a .22 in the guts, no bones or vitals, and come back later to remove them.

CCW/Hunter Safety: Done for the year. Remember, if we do the Home Study for the Hunter Safety class, it is free (which will save you \$30 a kid). Not enough instructors across the state for the demand.

Web Report: no report.

Fundraising - Raffle: Matt Clelland had a few tickets for tonight, and December tickets available.

Golf: no news.

Poker: Dan Miller reported there is webinar on Wednesday for the state.

Old Business:

- The AED battery and pads are on order, and we are just waiting for them to come in.
- Clearing the rimfire range is underway, and getting some prices on trusses. Making headway.
- The security cameras installation has begun.
- Work day for tree removal went well, even with some rain. Some wood out there and available. Next work day 12/3.
- Need a new Sportsman For Youth coordinator, as we need a new person to organize the event, while we have a seasoned mentor (Pat) to train them.
- Big Buck Contest needs to get entries in for it.
- December meeting will be held at the VFW, with pizza, and a cash bar (7:30 PM). Bring an appetizer or desert to share. Spouses and significant others welcome. We will also be collecting canned kernel corn, soups, pasta sauce, fruits and vegetables, as well as sugar, flour, dried peas, beans, rice, pasta, boxed hot cereal, paper products, diapers (size 4/5), or cash for Coopersville Cares (December 5th). Voting on the Sportsman of the year honor.
- Banquet will be held January 14th at the VFW, with a catered dinner. Social time begins at 6:00, and dinner is at 7:00. It is a fun party for the club, and should not be missed. Reservations and Cancellations will be taken until December 31, 2022. Call Gary Sabo at 616-862-1804, or sign up at the December meeting.

New Business:

- The Board met, and recommends that old items be disposed of by a sealed bid at the February meeting. Motion made and supported. (Mower, tent, lead sleds, freezer, and the old TV). Motion carried.
- The board recommends that we form a committee to explore purchasing a small tractor and attachments, for the upkeep of the club property. Motion made and supported. Motion approved. (committee: Jerry TooGood, Mike and Jason Koster.)
- Need to update the online application, so that it has a place for a sponsor to be listed. (Board also needs to consider how we vote on members, and it not just be a rubber stamp.)
- Recommendation that everyone review the bylaws, as they have to be changed to add a second bank account anyway. So, we might as well update anything else that needs it at the same time.
- Motion was made and supported to donate \$500 to the Coopersville Library for their annual movie license. Motion passed.
- Motion made and supported to donate \$500 to Wreathes Across America again this year. Motion passed.
- If anyone gets a deer that cross the property line, DO NOT go after it without permission (contact Chad Piper to help negotiate access).

Raffle: # 43, Kurt VanVelzen

Meeting Adjourned: 8:25 PM