



Summary of February 5, 2024 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 Nate and Collin who were with us as guests. The Attendance sheet was passed around.

Secretary: The minutes from the January meeting were emailed out early in the day, as well as printed out and circulated before the meeting. Approved. Notice of the NEOFC fireman's ball was also sent out by email.

Ill and Injured: No reports or updates on Kowboy (Kevin Heath), or Ernie Vadas.

Treasurer: Roy Kamps reported that we have money in the bank, and that all the bills are paid. Reminder, membership dues are due at the April meeting.

Building: Tim Preisner thanked those that plowed the snow, and reported that everything is good. Security system is still in the process of being wrapped up!

Grounds: Dave Carlson had nothing to report. There are a lot of branches down from the snow/ice, that will need to be picked up if people are looking for hours. Next tree falling work day will be 2/10 at 9:00 AM. Also, work days scheduled for Saturdays March 9th and 30th (both at 9 AM).

Range: Greg Place was not present, but it was mentioned that some of the backboards are tipping over on the .22 range from the weather.

Archery: Jay reported everything is all set until set up in Spring.

Sporting Clays: Jerry Dibble reported that they plan to host another clays shoot later spring. The reminder was given, if you pick up unbroken birds, do not reload them in the thrower (the suggestion was to take them to a berm to plink with, or just step on them).

CMP: Chris was not present, but we reminded to check out the website for info as well as guns and ammo that we can purchase as members (www.thecmp.org).

MUCC: Arlyn Doornbos was not present, but they have a convention coming up.

Legislative: Larry Crandle reported that two members of the State House were elected to other positions, providing a deadlock, and temporarily stopping the anti-gun bills they were working on. Larry shared several current stories from across the country, displaying the trends and patterns that we are seeing in relation to Constitutional rights. A request was made for the some of the sources of the various stories to be provided. (They will be

in the email).

Point Tracker: Serge was absent, but once the TV gets set up, we are going to do a demonstration of the new digital tracker system. But, for this year, we still need to track them manually.

Web Report: There was no report or update.

Fundraising - Raffle: Matt Clelland had just a couple of tickets for the night, but tickets are printed for the next couple of months, and large raffle tickets will be sold in the summer.

- **Golf: Tom** reported again that the entry forms will be at the March meeting, and members will have two days to register, before they are advertised. Outing will be on June 29. Prices will be going up around \$5 a person for the teams. Sponsors needed.

- **Poker:** Larry had most of the slots full for poker this month, but we will need volunteers in March, April, and May as well.

Hunting: No Report.

Fishing: No ice.

Trapping Report: It was noted that Village Hardware and Auto Supply (3160 Slocum Rd.) has started carrying a good selection of trapping supplies.

Hunter Safety: Jerry reported that hunter safety trainers need to be re-certified March 1st.

Old Business:

- Talks are under way with the Boy Scouts to replant the Christmas trees, after most were wiped out by the drought this past year. Dates to be determined.

New Business:

- Board Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 13th, 7:00 PM at the Clubhouse.
- Dues and points are due at the April meeting.
- John asked for permission to host a CPL class late Spring early Summer.
- Coopersville Hardware is hosting a Seminar on February 28th at the Farm Museum, on deer food plots.

Raffle Winners: Ticket #012 John Kozin

Meeting Adjourned: 8:10 PM

Next meeting 3/4/24 at the Sportsman's Club