Ponoka Fish and Game Association July 2nd, 2015

Evelyne Huseby
Scott Rarick
Leonard Davis
Dale Jess
Tim Thoreson

Jim Sebry

Ray Abt Ken Sheehan Beth Sykes

Robert Greene

Sherry Thoreson Tom Simpson

Christine Frandsen Todd Nabozniak

Tyler Sebry Dale Jess

Ken Hellervik

Meeting called to order at 7:28pm

Introductions Completed

- 1. Tom Simpson moved the June 4th meeting minutes correct as presented. Tim Thoreson seconded. CARRIED.
- 2. Agenda moved correct by Christine Frandsen, seconded by Todd Nabozniak. CARRIED.
- 3. Reports:
 - a. Archery-There has been up to 10 shooters attending on archery nights.

They will start shooting in the ravine.

Buckles were presented to Scott and Ron.

Scott will talk to Todd Nabozniak about ordering buckles.

- b. Banquet- Nothing to report.
- c. Casino- Nothing to report.
- d. Big Game- Nothing to report.
- e. Membership-Nothing to report.
- f. Bird/Fish- Nets were set to check the fish stock at Pofianga. No fish were caught. The fish order was then canceled at Smokey Lake Trout Farms.

Discussion on options to help improve lake conditions:

- a. Water testing would be quite costly and have to take place over the course of 1 year if it was to be done.
- b. Draining and/or dredging the lake. Cost would run approximately \$9000 per day and would take 5 to 7 days. There is no guarantee on how long it would take before the sludge builds up again.
- c. Evelyne will contact Province of Alberta Water Resources to find out the protocol on draining the lake.
- g. Environment- There is a report in the Ponoka paper stating the water flow is down 20% through the town of Ponoka.
- h. Grants- Nothing to report
- i. Predator- Nothing to report
- j. Property- Nothing to report
- k. Rental Kids Camp is booked for July 10 to 14, 2015 and July 11 to 15, 2016.

Leonard reported that half of 2017 is already booked.

- 1. Past President- Nothing to report
- m. Property (Glen Eden) Chris has a pipe to put in the road as a culvert so the road does not wash out.

 Blight was found on plants/trees around the camp kitchen. Chris will trim the area. After discussion it was recommended to do after freeze up to keep from spreading.
 - -New blades were put on the mower.
 - -New blades were ordered for the swisher.
- n. Publicity- Robert Greene is doing a newsletter if anyone has anything to add please contact him.

Todd has the Rifleman's Rodeo Poster for Robert to add.

- o. Treasurer- Beth Sykes presented monthly income and expense reports. Beth is sending a payment of \$4000 to Alberta Fish & Game Association.
- p. Range- Nothing to report.
- q. Rifleman's Rodeo- Buckles and trophies are ordered. Posters are done. Work bee is coming up. The 50th anniversary will be held in 2017.
- r. Trap- A pallet of clay pigeons was purchased through Wholesale Sports.

The range attendance has made enough to cover the cost of the pallet of clays.

-10 boxes of clays went to Red Deer Fish and Game.

There was discussion on the different clay pigeon suppliers in Alberta. Some listed were White Flyer in Airdrie, Bass Pro, Sportsman's Den in Red Deer. Ray will mention to Dick.

- s. Youth Camp- Christine Frandsen said we have 16 to 18 kids booked and paid for the youth camp.
 - -Medicine River Wildlife Centre will not be able to do their presentation this year.
 - -Volunteers are lined up.
 - -Christine is playing phone tag with Game On about sponsorship.
 - -Christine has ordered the t-shirts, hats and lunch bags.
 - 1st Aid course is confirmed.
 - need to confirm clay pigeons/shells and targets are stocked.
 - Rob Edwards-100 ways to start a fire.
 - Dale Jess will cover birdhouse building.
- t. President- Nothing to report
- u. Secretary- Nothing to report
- v. Pistol- Working group consists of Ken, Tom, Tim and Dick.
 - Archery rules and regulations for Ponoka Fish and Game need to be reviewed.
 - -We need to rename these documents to club rules and procedures, not regulations.
 - -Club Range Rules were reviewed.
 - -Procedure for Range use was reviewed.

Ken Sheehan made a motion that the draft documents are approved in principle to submit to the Chief Firearms Officer of Alberta. Tom Simpson seconded. CARRIED!

w. Property (Gull Lake) – Robert and Steve are trying to find out from Brian Rose when the rest of the gravel will be delivered.

4. Old Business

- a. No fish in the lake (Pofianga).
- b. Robert Greene had a meeting with Bob Gruszecki and Glen McKay from A.H.E.I.A, regarding training more instructors for our area. Robert gave them contact information for Tim Thoreson and Christine Frandsen, whom the club would like to be contacted for training in the next available Firearm Instructors Course.

5. New Business

- a. Highway clean-up is no longer being done by the girl guides or school program.
- b. The Club received a letter from the County of Ponoka regarding a group home wanting to open in the area.
- c. Robberies have been happening in the area. Quads, trucks, etc. were stolen from multiple homes.
- d. Crockpots and dishes for cooking are needed for Youth Camp.

Ray Abt made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jim Sebry seconded. CARRIED! Meeting adjourned at 9:18pm.