

DEFIANCE COUNTY FISH AND GAME  
BOARD MINUTES  
Feb. 4th 2010

The meeting was called to order @ 7:05 p.m. by Chairman Jerry Latta.

Officers in Attendance:

Alan Hansford, Roger Sisco, Joe Hiler, Chris Stanfield, Jerry Latta, Trent Hesselschwardt, Jeff Niese, Joe Daly

Minutes of last meeting were read by Joe Hiler. Motion to approve with one correction was made by Alan Hansford and seconded by Trent Hesselschwardt

Treasurer's Report:

Joe Daly reported a starting balance of \$4502.41 in the Boards checking account. We had income from dues and rent in Jan. but we also had property taxes and insurance. At the beginning of Feb., the checking account had dipped as low as \$254, but a \$1200 payment from the Pistol Club to help with insurance costs, and the last remaining point of sale payment had brought the balance back to a reasonable level. Motion to approve the report was made by Roger Sisco and seconded by Jeff Niese. The motion carried.

Buildings;

Alan Hansford reported that there is a rental scheduled for next Sat. and that Euchre You has paid up and signed their rental contract for 2010 .

Jeff Niese said that he has seen some door mats at Lowes that he thinks will work nicely by the front door. Trent Hesselschwardt made a motion to allow Jeff to purchase the mats before the Thurs. night F&G meeting. Alan seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Alan Hansford said that he thought that some debit cards would be handy for the buildings and grounds people to simplify purchases of necessities for the building. Jerry Latta said that the receipts would need to get back to our Treasurer so that we have a record of expenditures. Joe Daly will talk to the bank and get Alan and Jeff Niese set up with some cards.

Ground; no report

Web Sight;

Chris Stanfield said that our hosting renewal will be due next month . The renewal cost will be \$75.

F&G

Joe Daly reported that there were no expenses in Jan. for the F&G.

Rifle and Pistol;

Joe Hiler reported that we did not receive the Friends of the NRA grant that we applied for to help renovate the outdoor range.

Straightened Arrows;

Alan Hansford said that the Archery club would like to set up their annual payment to the F&G on April 1<sup>st</sup>. This would work out best for the Archery Clubs income schedule.

Alan said that Jerry Brown had asked about the hickory tree that will be in the way of the mound that will be erected along the north side of the outdoor range. There was also some question about the old wooded benches around the shelter house. Alan Hansford made a motion to remove the hickory tree and to do away with the benches. Jeff Niese seconded the motion and it passed with no opposition.

TRCC;

Trent Hesselschwardt said that their last still shoot had 23 shoots and was very comparable to the prior month's attendance.

Jeff Niese asked if it would be alright for the Three Rivers Conservation Club to upgrade, at their cost, the public address system at the F&G. This would be helpful to them at their still shoots and be beneficial to the club. Alan made a motion to allow Three Rivers to do whatever they want with the sound system. Joe Daly seconded and everyone was in favor of the upgrade.

Old Business:

Insurance 2010;

Joe Daly said that there needs to be some changes made in our Bylaws that would tell where the money would go if the organization would cease to exist. There also needs to be a staggered terms section that would prevent more than 1/3 of the officers being replaced at any time. These requirements are mandated for by our insurance company. Jerry Latta said that he talked to Steve Sondergaard and he said that our organization meets the guidelines of a 501-c3 or a 501-c7 organization but we have no paperwork that identifies us as such. He said that filing fees are about the same for either classification. The Board decided that we need to pursue a classification in order to get the benefits of tax deductible donations from other organizations. Jerry will talk to Steve Sondergaard about the legalities of the F&G becoming a 501-c3 organization. Trent Hesselschwardt made a motion for the F&G to pursue the 501-c3 tax classification and Joe Hiler seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business;

Policy and Procedures manual concerning concealed carry classes.  
The policy and procedures manual for the F&G states that the concealed carry instructors that operate businesses on the F&G property must have a \$1,000,000 liability policy and that the number of instructors limited to two. Chairman Jerry Latta said that in his opinion, as long as the instructor meets the insurance requirements, the number of instructors and the frequency of their instruction should be a decision of the pistol club, not the board of directors. After a discussion concerning a new CCW instructor wishes to hold his 2 hour shooting session at the indoor pistol range, the board was in agreement that the only requirement concerning us should be of adequate insurance. The Pistol Club's governing body should make the decision as to whether they want a specific instructor operating on the property, and the frequency of their instruction. Jerry will work on some of the language in the policy and procedures manual to illustrate the decisions made by the Board.

The meeting adjourned @ 9:20 p.m.

Next meeting will be Thurs. march 4<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 p.m.

