

**FEDERATION OF SPORTSMEN'S CLUBS OF SULLIVAN COUNTY, NY, INC.**

Minutes from September 08, 2021

The meeting began at 7:04 pm with a salute to the flag of the United States of America.

18 Delegates present

**Guests:** Proposed for October meeting; Ellen Ward, Tara Gardner and Christina Snedaker, attendees of Woman of the Outdoors conference.

**Report of retired DEC Officer Carl Lindsley.** Absent.

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A motion was made to dispense with the reading of the August 2021 minutes, since all clubs receive copies. Seconded and CARRIED.

**BILLS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

Treasurer, Linda Loughrey presented the monthly bills. A motion was made to pay the bills, seconded and CARRIED.

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS:**

**President: John Van Etten** John stated Sullivan County Conservation Club having an Action Pistol Shoot later this month, open to the public.

**Vice President: Hank Samyn** - No report

**Secretary: Marlene Dauch** - The Federation is currently looking for a Treasurer to begin duties after the February 2022 Coyote Hunt, which is when Linda has expressed, she'll be retiring.

*Update: Linda let John Van Etten and Marlene Dauch know she's reconsidering staying another year as Treasurer.*

**Treasurer: Linda Loughrey** Linda was contacted by County Treasurer's office, lost application and paperwork for \$5,000.00 grant. She gathered all information, again, and hand delivered it.

<b>Treasurer: Linda Loughrey</b> -	07/31/21 balance forward	\$15,908.35
	Income	\$10,151.00
	Expenses paid	<u>\$ 1,015.30</u>
	08/31/21 ending balance	\$25,044.05

Motion was made to accept Treasurer's Report, seconded, CARRIED.

**REPORT OF STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES:**

**Council Delegate: Gary Muthig** Nothing much going on. Unsure if they're going to have a meeting or not. DEC has a report of snake heads in the Bashakill.

**Trustees:** Nothing to report

**Fish: Gary Muthig** Fall stocking to be in October. John Van Etten says there is \$1,500.00 approved from Conservation Club, probably Walleyes.

**Small Game: Hank Samyn** - A lot of turkeys and young. Pheasants to be picked up 10/3/21.

**Big Game: John Van Etten** Gary Muthig talked about lifetime licenses. Letting hunters know they shouldn't be surprised if you're told you don't have a license, even though it's in your hand. The DEC messed up.

**Bow Hunting: Ray Otto** Harry Walker says tail end of 3D shoots. Early bear season starts this Saturday, 9/11/21.

**Trapping: Carl Lindsley** Absent. John Van Etten says DEC eliminated the need for Fisher permit. It wasn't done in time. You still have to go online, print permits, but you don't have to do anything with them. Bill says permits are still needed for Martin.

**Legislative: John Van Etten** Bill Gates says there's a new governor for New York and person she signed up for Lieutenant Governor is Brian Benjamin. See attachments for a press release about legislation passed by the Senate Democrats.

**Conservation Education: Keith Krauss** Nothing to report.

**FWMB: Carl Lindsley:** Gary Muthig says nothing, yet.

**HABITAT: Fred Bosch** Received 19 applications. Fred Bosch plans to give applications to Gary M. for Eric Akerley and Seymour at Youth Day. Gary M., Keith K. & Hank S. to get more completed applications

from Fred at end of the meeting, for inspections. If you're not going to the banquet, please mail them back to Fred, ASAP.

**Sportsman Education: Carl Lindsley absent.** John Van Etten and Steve Rohally taught a trapping class, Aug. 28th. John is seeing more on the website. The next course will be September 25th. John received

updated rules for COVID, basic review of 3 questions. Start out masked, seated 6 feet apart, then everyone can remove masks. Also, no masked outdoors. Still lots of disinfectant.

Traps can now be passed around. Exams have to be quarantined for 14 days.

**DEP: Hank Samyn** Hank says they have a name, but he didn't bring it. This is a 3 member board, currently short by 1 person.

**Grahamsville Fair: Hank Samyn** Federation building is still standing, but leaning more.

**Youth Day: Hank Samyn** Hank says work day, Friday, 10:00 a.m. at Grahamsville Fair grounds to be set up like tables, barrels, etc. Harry Walker says special curtains for Archery shoot and styrofoam also to be set up for BB shoot. Fish coming 9/11/21 at 6 a.m. Volunteers to be there by 12:00 p.m. Lynn Krom

face painting, needs another volunteer, too. Turkey Federation donated another 35 bird house kits. Brian, the bird man, will be there. Marlene Dauch doing registration. Katie Dauch slated to help Dot

Muthig with food such as hot dogs and chips. Lions Club taking care of beverages and ice cream. Youth day ends up not costing the Federation anything. Linda Loughrey puts all receipts together and

submits to County for reimbursement.

**News flash - 135 children in attendance! Many happy faces for adults, too and much appreciation shared for having this event. There were a lot of first time attendees, this year.**

**NRA: John Van Etten** No convention this year and he hasn't seen Jim Hemmer.

**Sweepstakes: Linda Loughrey & Hank Samyn** Linda says Beaver Dam has currently sold over \$10,000.00 Ron Krom says kudos to Hank for the use of his trailer and delivering it, all over, to increase sales.

Early bird drawing: Eldred Rod & Gun, Bushwackers, Delaware Hunting Club, Rock Quarry, Reagan Ridge, Tri-State, Hunter Road, Mountain View, Buck Ridge and Birch Springs. Reminder to all clubs, if

you think you are qualified for Pheasants, please contact Linda L. to sign up. Pick up will be Sunday, October 3rd from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm Pheasant Hill Birds 895 Niles Pond Rd. Honesdale, PA

**Annual Banquet:** Gary Muthig; home (845) 292-4787 cell. (845) 798-4612 for tickets, which are available for sale. Call to make your reservations and/or pay up front or at the door. Cost is \$35.00 per person.

14 people already paid. Oct. 2, 21 held at the Rockland House, Roscoe, NY. Cash bar 6 pm, dinner 7 pm. Ice Fishing Derby: Carl Lindsley relayed to Linda the Boy Scout leaders are hoping to do a 3 day

weekend same time as Ice Fishing Derby.

**Scholarship: Carl Lindsley** Absent - nothing to report, according to John Van Etten.

**Sportsman of the Year:** Recipient to be announced at banquet in October 2021.

**Coyote Contest:** John says fliers are now up on the website. Feb. 4, 5, 6, 2022 are the dates. WSS Fire Department is the host. T-Shirts are available from Hank Samyn. Caps will cost \$15.00; t-shirts Large & X-L \$15.00; XXL-\$16.00; XXXL \$17.00. John says we seem to be on track. Several people have contacted Linda with interest.

**Trees : Susan Otto** Absent. Harry Walker says trees doing OK, except for where bears are bending them. Al Spence says his Chestnuts are doing well.

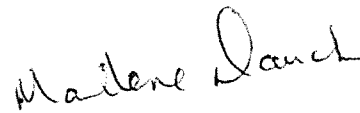
**UNFINISHED OR OLD BUSINESS:** The Federation previously approved sponsoring 6 attendees for Women of the Outdoors. 3 women attending are Christina Snedakar approved; Ellen Ward approved; Tara Gardner approved. Lynn Krom and Joann Walsch withdrew.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Gary M. asks that club pay for club secretary internet. Motion, second and carried. Gary Muthig also spoke with Butch Kortright from Turkey Federation to combine some activities. More discussion to ensue.

Motion to Adjourn: 7:55 pm Second and CARRIED.

Next meeting: **Wednesday, October 13, 2021; 7:00 pm** at the **Sullivan County Conservation Club**  
Located at 140 Kortwright Rd., Monticello, NY

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<https://www.nysenate.gov/newsroom/press-releases/brian-benjamin/senator-benjamin-and-senate-majority-passes-sweeping-anti-gun>

(Harlem, NY) **Senator Benjamin**, together with the Senate Majority, passed major legislation today to combat gun violence and protect all New Yorkers. The Senate Democrats have been leaders in standing up to the corporate gun lobby, and have offered a series of common sense bills to address the repeated tragedies caused by gun violence.

On gun safety, New York has already led the way, and with the legislation we are passing today we are making it clear that we are putting the safety of New York's families and students first," said Senator Benjamin.

The historic legislation passed by the Senate Democratic includes:

- **Extreme Risk Protection Orders:** This bill, S.2451 introduced by Senator Brian Kavanagh, allows law enforcement officials, family and household members and certain school officials to seek a court order requiring a person likely to harm themselves or others to relinquish any firearms in their possession.
- **Effective Background Check Act:** This bill, S.2374 introduced by Deputy Majority Leader Michael Gianaris, establishes an extension of time up to thirty calendar days for national in-state background checks.
- **Bump Stock Ban:** This bill, S.2448 introduced by Senator Luis Sepulveda, prohibits the possession of a device that accelerates the rate of fire of a firearm.
- **Preventing School Districts from Allowing Teachers to be Armed:** This bill, S.101A introduced by Senator Todd Kaminsky, prevents K-12 schools from authorizing anyone other than a security officer, school resource officer, or law enforcement officer to carry a firearm on school grounds.
- **Gun Buy Backs:** This bill, S.2449 introduced by Senator Shelley Mayer, directs the State Police to devise regulations for gun buyback programs so that all buyback programs across the state are operated consistently with uniform best practices.
- **Out of State Mental Health Records:** This bill, S.2438 introduced by Senator Anna Kaplan, will require out-of-state applicants for gun permits to allow New York permitting authorities to review out-of-state mental health records.

