FEDERATION OF SPORTSMEN'S CLUBS OF SULLIVAN COUNTY INC.

Minutes of April 12, 2017. The meeting began at 7:30 p.m. with a salute to the flag. 22 delegates were present for this meeting. Guests were retired from the DEC Carl & Deming Lindsley. ECO Matthew Burdick & Travis McNamara. Carl had no report. Deming announced that 30 students graduated from the Academy & 8 Forest Rangers. Matt discussed trout opener & the Youth Turkey hunt. Burn Ban Is On. Discussion was held about the rules of fishing & hunting on DEP waters & lands. Travis asked for help with extra eyes to spot 35 yard tandem trucks that are coming to the county from the city at night & dumping "Dirty Dirt". If you notice anything please get in touch with the DEC. A card was passed around for Clifford Horton who had a stroke. Get well Cliff.

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

BILLS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

Treasurer Patty Lindsley presented the monthly bills. Seconded, CARRIED. A letter was read from the County confirming the \$20,000 agreement for 2017. Jack read a letter from Assembly Woman Aileen Gunther of her opposition to Assembly bill A.2260. She is aware of the burden this bill would have on fellow hunters & gun owners. REPORT OF OFFICERS

PRES: Jack Danchak -Sportsman of the Year Plaque has been updated. Coyote meeting will be held in May.

V.P.: Hank Samyn - He has the check & will be picking up the 4X4 from M&M Ford.

SEC.: Kay Danchak - Clubs that have not paid their dues just a reminder is included with the minutes. They are due by the April meeting. We have 8 clubs not paid for 2017. Get your check in the mail & registration application.

TREAS.: Patty Lindsley reported that after paying the bills, there was a balance of \$42,836.12. Motion was made to accept Treasurers Report. Seconded, CARRIED.

REPORT OF STANDING & SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

FISH: Tony Fello – Trout Stocking: 4/21 at Red Caboose in Roscoe at 9:30 AM. 4/24 at Grahamsville Town Hall at 9:45 AM. 4/26 at Harris Post Office at 9:45 AM. 5/2 at White Lake Boat Launch at 9:45 AM. 5/4 at County Rte. 43 Bridge at Mongaup Fall Reservoir at 10:00 AM. 5/5 at Bandstand in Callicoon Ctr. at 9:45 AM. 5/17 Neversink Reservoir Dam at 9:45 AM. 5/19 at Beaverkill Ste Campsite at 9:30 AM. 5/23 at Red Caboose in Roscoe at 9:30 AM. Anyone wishing to help with the stocking call Tony @ 845-283-9710.

COUNCIL DELEGATE: Bill Gaudette - No report.

SMALL GAME: Hank Samyn - Pheasant report at May meeting.

BIG GAME: Allan Schadt – No report. A discussion was held about antler restrictions & the fines for shooting illegal rack deer.

CONSERVATION EDUCATION: It was announced we only have 10 children going to DEC summer camp. FWMB: No Report

HABITAT: Fred Bosch says now is the time to think about clubs 2017 Habitat projects. Applications are ready call Fred @ 845-557-8030.

SPORTSMAN EDUCATION: Carl Lindsley has no new classes to announce. Go to NYSDEC web site.

DEP: Herb DeWitt – No report.

GRAHAMSVILLE FAIR: No report.

YOUTH DAY: The date is set for September 23. If you can PLEASE start cutting out any type of bird houses for the children to assemble. FREE Lumber is available. Contact Jack @ 845-482-4987 for info.

NRA: Bob Morgan – Now is the time to start practicing with your Bow & Firearms. On 1/3/2017 Congressman Richard Hudson (R-N.C. 8th) introduced H.R. 38, the Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act of 2017, which simply allows lawful firearm carriers from any state to carry a concealed firearm in any other state. The bill addresses our nation's patchwork of concealed carry reciprocity laws, where each state determines which states' permits, if any, they will recognize. The bill has nothing to do with arming criminals – they already carry guns on our streets in violation of the

law. It is about allowing law-abiding citizens to legally carry firearms to defend themselves. Call your members of Congress & urge them to support H.R. 38.

SWEEPSTAKES: They will be ready to distribute at the May meeting.

SCHOLARSHIP: Scholarship applications should be available in all SC School guidance offices.

ICE FISHING: No report.

SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR: Start thinking about someone deserving to be considered for this prestigious award. Applications needed before the June meeting.

COYOTE HUNT: 2018 meeting will be held in May.

DEER FEEDING: Senate & Assembly bills still in committee.

CHESTNUT TREES: Delivery date will be April 22nd on 200 Pucky Huddle Road at the Otto home between 9 AM & 11 AM. Number is 845-583-7691.

REPORT OF OTHER COMMITTEES:

<u>UNFINISHED OR OLD BUSINESS</u>: NYSRPA Sportsmen's Expo will be held on May 20th from 10AM – 5PM. Contact thegunlady92@gmail.com. The Whortlekill R&G is sponsoring NRA Women On Target on May 13th from 9:30AM – 3:30PM. For info contact P. Scarano – huntersafetynys@verizon.net.

NEW BUSINESS: \$50 donation was sent to Time in the Valley Museum in memory of Ray Muthig. A \$300 donation was received from Mark Puerschner from the NYSCOPBA – Sullivan to be used for our Youth Expo in September. SC Longbeards are holding a Youth Turkey hunt on April 22 & 23 with weigh-in at Fur, Fin & Feather Sport shop in Livingston Manor. A pull up banner was displayed that was purchased from Keller Signs for \$330.

Motion made to adjourn at 8:45 PM. Seconded, CARRIED.

Next meeting: May10, 2017 at 7:30 PM at the Kauneonga Lake Fire Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

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