

FEDERATION OF SPORTSMEN'S CLUBS OF SULLIVAN COUNTY, INC.---

Minutes of March 14, 2018. The meeting began at 7:30 p.m. with a salute to the flag. 14 delegates were present. A moment of silence in respect for Kay Danchak was observed.

Guests Deming Lindsley & T.P. Koeph, DEC Conservation Officer. Deming reported that Officer Koeph is the recipient of the Future of the Division Award. Officer Koeph stated that this is a slow time of the year. He advised that Officer Ricky Wood won the ECO award this year. Deming also stated that there will be an opening for Dir. of Law Enforcement as the current director is retiring.

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

BILLS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

Treasurer Linda Loughrey presented the monthly bills. Motion was made to pay the bills. Seconded, CARRIED. Pres. Jack Danchak had no communications.

REPORT OF OFFICERS:

PRES: JACK DANCHAK - Jack reviewed the final statistic of the coyote contest. Expenses were \$18,117.02 and income was \$33,257.00, netting a profit of \$15,139.98. He stated that 51 hunters were from neighboring Penna. 2 of the winners of the 50/50 contest donated some monies back to the Federation. He mentioned that Congressman Faso made an appearance at the banquet and let everyone know that he is a friend of the hunters. Pres. Danchak advised that the County has allocated \$20,000.00 to the Federation for 2018. He has called for a Budget Meeting of the Officers & Trustees on March 24th at 2:00PM followed by Sweepstakes and Habitat at 3:00PM. at Sorella's Restaurant in Kauneonga Lake. Pres. Danchak informed us that Bill Gaudette is stepping down as Council Delegate and that Rich Post will take over that position. Carl Lindsley will stay on as alternate delegate.

V.P.: JOHN VAN ETEN - Reported that the 32nd King of the Ice contest had 386 participants & for the first time was won by a woman - Crowned Queen of the Ice.

SEC.: KAY DANCHAK - Acting Secretary Linda Loughrey read a letter she sent to Glenn Cross thanking him for the wood supplied for the Youth Ice Fishing Day.

TREAS.: LINDA LOUGHREY - Linda reported that after paying the pre-approved bills, there is a balance of \$50,599.21. 01/31/18 balance forward was \$24,232.94. February expenses were \$15,163.73; income was \$41,530.00. Motion was made to accept report. Seconded, CARRIED.

REPORT OF STANDING & SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

FISH: Tony Fello - Harold Buley & Hank Samyn took flyers on Kay's Kid's to hand out to the 4 reporting stations.

COUNCIL DEL.: Rich Post - No report.

SMALL GAME: Hank Samyn - nothing to report.

BIG GAME: Allan Schadt - Gave a synopsis of the 2017 Black Bear Harvest - which report can be found at

www.dec.ny.gov. The Southern Zone harvest was 1,037 bears of which 409 were females & 628 were males. Sullivan County had a harvest of 147 bears, third to Delaware (151) & Ulster (167) Counties. Greene County had the largest bear weighing in at 550 pounds.

CONSERVATION EDUCATION: Keith Krauss - No report.

FWMB: Carl Lindsley - No report.

HABITAT: Fred Bosch - Think about soil testing.

SPORTSMAN EDUCATION: Carl Lindsley - No report.

DEP: Harold Buley- 1 parcel on Hunter Road of 36 acres will be opened for hunting, fishing, hiking & trapping,

GRAHAMSVILLE FAIR: No report.

YOUTH DAY: No report.

NRA: Bob Morgan - Bruce Miller wished people would ignore what is being reported in the press by people who don't really know anything about guns, etc. There are anti-gun groups organizing these protests!!

SWEEPSTAKES & ANNUAL BANQUET: Nothing to report.

SCHOLARSHIP: No report.

ICE FISHING DERBY: Carl Lindsley - No report.

SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR: Start thinking about it.

COYOTE CONTEST: Great success.

DEER FEEDING: Jack said to keep feeding.

CHESTNUT TREES: None are being bought this year.

UNFINISHED OR OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Pres. Danchak stated that donations in Kay's memory are up to \$1,400.00 and will ALL be earmarked for Youth programs.

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

Next meeting: April 11, 2018 at 7:30 PM, Kauneonga Lake Fire Hall. **REMINDER - DUES ARE NOW DUE**

Respectfully Submitted, Linda M. Loughrey, Acting Secretary

