

Caledonia Forest & Stream Club
Monthly Meeting Minutes
For: March 11, 2008

The meeting was called to order by Tom Moore, President, at 7:00PM. All those present stood and recited the Conservation Pledge. Roll call by President Tom Moore, with fourteen (14) present.

OFFICER REPORTS:

Secretary: Minutes read.

Treasurer: Report read and accepted subject to audit.

COMITTEE REPORTS:

Executive Committee – minutes read from prior meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Decision to build new or fix old clubhouse still going on. Information coming in on what footprint would be, what would clubhouse be used for, what material would be best to build. Looking at probably a 30'x75' of metal, wood, cinderblock, or log. *PRESIDENT'S NOTE: this is all still preliminary. We are just looking at numbers right now to see feasibility and to show where incoming money would go to so we maintain our non-profit status. Footprint has to do with classroom size, hosting gun shows, holding other social events, etc. If two-story, need to consider handicapped access. Midge volunteered to get pricing on cinder block construction.
2. Jim Wood brought up the thought of having other clubs/organizations join us: NWTF, 4-H, NRA, etc to build more on our 'conservation' ideals and raise money with/through those groups to help projects like a clubhouse.
3. Other ways to raise capital for clubhouse would be to check with local businesses as sponsors, get member donations, etc. instead of just relying on gravel pit.
4. Some believe member dues should not be used to build one-time project such as clubhouse. Member dues should be used for day-to-day operations.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Andy wanted to return to the Youth Program. Steve again outlined general concept for program. Formal vote was take to approve of program.
2. Summer conservation camp applications are out. Club will sponsor up to eight (8) youth this year.
3. Annual Banquet will be in April again. Paul is lining up speaker. Possible topics include deer head management and new bait-fish regs. Was everyone happy with the Academy last year? Yes, will do there again. Date will be tried: April 15th. Tom will get out advertising.
4. Old copies of By-Laws. Need to be typed up. Steve will do this.
5. Dick McGinnis thanked the Club for card/flowers to Beulah.
6. Larry Tighe interested in doing Hunter Education course. Asked when water would be turned back on at Clubhouse. Probably not until May this year.
7. High Power Rifle schedule? Is it down and on the web calendar? Yes. Also, Archery 3-D will be May 31 and Field Day (Sept 21).
8. If you want to shoot this spring and road isn't plowed out, contact Andy. We're looking for someone to keep the road cleared year-round.
9. Dwight stated he needs to spend around \$1000 to repair/replace archery targets.
10. Bev & Bill Terrill should be award jackets for their service to the club and energies as Directors. Bill would like a jacket, Bev would prefer trees planted in her name.
11. Steve trying to get another newsletter out. Will check for local discounts at Caplains, Village Sports, etc. and announce in newsletter.

12. Would like to have someone try tracking the use of the trap range and number of clay targets being used. This will help know what is used for Trap, Field Day, etc. Would also like a 'class' by Jeff Levy to show four or five Directors how to run the Trap machine so others may use it and get more use out of the Trap area.
13. Friends of NRA fundraising banquet is set for May 17th. For more information and tickets, contact Arthur Wood or Steve Jeffrey

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.