

**Dunham's Bay Fish and Game Club Inc.**  
Minutes of General Membership Meeting  
August 9th, 2023

The August 2023 General Membership Meeting of the Dunham's Bay Fish and Game Club was held at 7:00 –August 9th, 2023

President: John Bowe

Vice President Scott Rager

Directors

Secretary Lee Garrand

Pat Beland

John Beecher

Sam Christiansen

Melissa Stark

Dennis Dempsey

Bob Benway

Don Kramer

15 Members/Officers/Directors Attended the Meeting

John Bowe opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance

**Minutes** from previous meeting were read and approved. 1<sup>st</sup> Scott. 2<sup>nd</sup> Sam C. Voted Unanimous.

**Treasurers' Report** No Report. John Bowe stated we had moved \$95000 into a CD at GF National at a 5.25% return.

**Membership**

Bob Benway stated we had 651 members

**Archery** Pat Beland stated lousy weather hadn't helped, 11 members shooting the course, 17 non-members so far.

**Buildings and Grounds** Don K stated HR218 June 2<sup>nd</sup> \$300 made for the club. \$55 for the soda fund. Ambrose Electric stated we needed a part for the generator- all warranty work no cost. Don and Pat discussed leak in the roof, Lee was to have his son who was a member come and look at it.

**Conservation Council** Next Years Flea Market slated for March 30<sup>th</sup>, Traffic problems discussed. Dan Ladd's report:

**New Biz**

- Club Happy Hour, Friday Aug. 25 4:30 pm at ADK Bar & Grill. More the merrier.

## **Legislation/Conservation Council**

- State Police are readying for a possible September conversion to background checks for ammo and firearms. The FBI will no longer be involved in NICS checks in NY once the NYSP take over. All purchases of both firearms and ammo will be entered into a data-base. Fees are per-transaction, not unit, but it's possible the dealer may apply additional fees. I've shared an NSSF memo with John, Pat and Dennis and attached it below. I suggest sharing some highlights.
- The Biden Admin is interpreting language in a 2022 Bipartisan Safer Communities Act to ban federal education funding for hunter safety/education classes held at schools along with funding for the popular National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP).
- The Gov has yet to sign the Coyote contest ban law.
- NYS Conservation Council Fall Convention is this weekend, Aug. 11-12.

**Steel Targets** Chuck L stated everything in place just maintaining. John Bowe had Sam C display steel targets obtained from grant through 4H.

**Shooting Disciplines** Dennis D stated Milsurp shoot slated for August 19<sup>th</sup>. Sam C stated Action shoot slated for September 17<sup>th</sup> 9am. The Shooting Range would be shut down at 5pm the night before 2 RSO's needed to run match. Sam C made motion to spend \$1000 on the supplies for the shoot. \$10 for Members, \$20 Non-Member fee Open to Public Dennis D. 2nd . Voted Unanimous

**New Business** Jerry Argay stated HR218 Shoot slated for September 22<sup>nd</sup> on the pistol range from 9am to 1pm. Pat B stated Survey for covered rifle/pistol/rimfire range was completed. Site plan also done, 2 pins located. Application submitted, application for variance review completed. Pat had not heard back yet. John B stated RSO's needed separate insurance. John also stated he knew of insurance that would cover them. John had attended AED Training, no hands on . Trauma kit had been installed as well.

**Motion to adjourn**, Meeting adjourned 7:45 John B 1st, Melissa S. 2nd  
Voted unanimous.

