

**Dunham's Bay Fish and Game Club Inc.**  
Minutes of General Membership Meeting  
December 12th, 2023

The December 2023 General Membership Meeting of the Dunham's Bay Fish and Game Club was held at 7:00pm on December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023

President: John Bowe

Secretary Lee Garrard

**Directors**

Pat Beland

Sam Christiansen

Dennis Dempsey

Bob Benway

11 Members/Officers/Directors Attended the Meeting- In Person and Via Zoom

John Bowe opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance

**Minutes** Read and approved from November meeting. Dave S 1<sup>st</sup>, Chuck L 2<sup>nd</sup>, voted unanimous

**Treasurers' Report** No Report

**Membership**

Bob Benway stated we had 683 members

**Buildings and Grounds** No Report

**Archery** Pat Beland stated that more interest was needed. Requests for league had been heard from non-members and members. Lee G. Volunteered to co-chair Archery. Pat stated Hudson Falls had a Cabin Fever shoot at \$10 per shooter as well as youth shoots.

**Smokeless Range** Steve Sypulski stated he was working on an event possibly over the Christmas break.

**Events** Sam Christiansen stated 2 Gun Shoot slated for January 14<sup>th</sup>, 9am registration 25 spots open with pre-registration available. Handguns/Rifles different divisions and RSO would be present. Dave S stated he was looking to invest in trap/clay thrower. Thought was to mount it on a trailer and spend between \$1000 and \$8000. More research needed.

**She shooters-** no report

**Bi-Laws/Constitution** no report

**Steel Targets** -Bob B stated he was working on moving steel targets and locating new shooting locations. Bob also spoke regarding lights and buzzers on range to be across all shooting stations including pistol range. An orange cone was also discussed as a safety measure atop bench.

### **Legislation/Conservation Council**

Dan Ladd had emailed his report as follows:

#### **Gun Laws**

Last week's Second Circuit decision is a win and a loss (for now). The ruling reversed three CCIA provisions, but kept the others including most of the sensitive areas. What's changed is as follows:

- Concealed carry (or armed security personnel) is allowed in houses of worship.
- Concealed carry applicants do not have to turn over social media accounts.
- Private property owners, including businesses do not have to display a "firearms welcome" sign.

#### **Deer Season**

- o Muzzleloading/archery/crossbow season is open in most of the Southern Zone through Dec. 19. The holiday-week hunt is Dec. 26 - Jan. 1

#### **Logging**

- I contacted Finch/Pruyn who contacted me back. A forester was planning to tour the grounds after Thanksgiving then put together a suggested cutting plan. I have not heard from them yet, but putting the plan together does take time.

#### **Beaver Trapping**

- I've contacted a trapper about trapping beaver both at the club and on my own property. He said he'd be in touch after Northern Zone closed, but he has been sick. I will continue to pursue.

#### **March 30 Sportsman's Flea Mkt.**

- The committee plans to meet at the club at 2 pm on Friday, Dec. 22.
- Dennis has set up a Gmail account for communicating.

#### **Happy Hour**

- Don't forget Club Happy Hour, Friday, Jan. 5 at the ADK Bar & Grill starting at 4:20

**New Business/Old Business** Pat B stated our septic system had been inspected. No Infiltration or leach field was working as it has been clogged. Pat also stated that the front entry door needed replacement. John Bowe stated that we need and require a New Orientation for all Members in 2024. The Orientation would take place when the Rifle range and all systems were operational like lights, buzzers, cameras and PA System. Lee G made motion to require all Members to acquire orientation every 3 Years. Tom. G 1<sup>st</sup>, Octave F 2<sup>nd</sup> Voted Unanimous. Pat B stated rifle racks were needed for the new range. David S requested to spend \$500 on a Trap Thrower and Battery Charger, He asked for \$500, \$1000 was approved. Sam C1st, Lee G. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Voted unanimous

**Motion to adjourn**, Meeting adjourned 8:21 Bob B.1st, Sam C. 2nd  
Voted unanimous.