O.F.A.H Zone G Meeting Minutes
York Region Forest
Aug 17 2019

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Leslie Dungog at 9:00 a.m. with the recitation of the OFAH conservation ledge.

Introductions - The individuals present were asked to introduce themselves and to state which club if any they represented.

Agenda – No changes requested to the agenda

Previous Minutes -The minutes of the Apr 2019 meeting, were reviewed and on a motion by S Huntley seconded by D Boxall were passed without changes.

Financial Report – Presentation of Year to Date financials, Recommended that with $10,000 GIC maturing on Aug 9 and with no immediate requirement for access to the funds that a GIC in the amount of $15,000 with a maturity date of 2023 and a GIC in the amount of $15,000 with a maturity date of 2024 be purchased. Moved by D Dixon and seconded S Huntley carried.

Correspondence-

a) Tony Jackson- WNV – West Nile Virus
b) Maribeth Burley – Request for funding re Heritage Centre
c) Kim Staples – Airline Hunters & Anglers
d) Larry Wickett- spring cull report and request for funding for cormorant control fall 2019
e) Dave Pind – Hunter Education Instructor Conference

Committee Reports:

Fisheries – JK/RH – Review of the May Advisory Committee report.
Firearms – DBD – Review of the May Advisory Committee report. Despite no recommendations being made in the Bill Blair, Guns and Gangs Review to ban AR style semi-autoloading rifles or handguns, the Liberal election platform includes a policy of delegating authority to implement bans to municipal governments. Handgun ammunition bans may be included in the legislation.
Big Game -DBD - Review of the May Advisory Committee report.
Agriculture – SL - Review of the May Advisory Committee report.
Web Site/Social Media – LD & SL have been actively posting items of general and specific interest on the Zone G Facebook page. As access to the Zone page is restricted, members are encouraged to request access to the page.

Motion to accept all Committee Reports made by R Hare, seconded by S Huntley, carried

Old Business:

a) OWA – request for financial assistance – Following review of business case executive recommended to members present that Zone G support the request. Moved by S Huntley and seconded by P Dungog that $500 be donated to OWA 2019 program Carried **CLOSED**
b) Bob Emery re donation from P&T Club – R Hare issued email thanking both the former members of P&T club for donation and to Bob Emery for arranging the donation **CLOSED**
c) PRGC – request for financial assistance for Huck Finn Day - Following review of business case executive recommended to members present that Zone G support the request – Motion made by D Boxall and seconded by B Vickery to donate sufficient funds to cover 50% of the cost for the purchase of the brook trout up to a maximum of $1000 Carried **CLOSED**
d) Rob Hare – request for financial support for ISC Ladies Shooting seminar – Motion by D Boxall and seconded by C Roman that $900 be donated to ISC to sponsor the shooting seminar. Carried **CLOSED**

e) After the Shot 2019 – Speakers have been confirmed to give presentations on CWD, deer behavior to hunting pressure, Hit site evaluation, Taxidermy, and MNRF hunting regulations and licensing. Web site has been updated promoting seminar and advertisement included in July OOD. As of Aug 17 have received 32 registrations. There may be no need to issue emails to Zone G members to further promote the seminar. Moved by D Dixon to secure $400 from Zone account to provide cash rebates to registrants that are OFAH members and are able to show a current membership card, seconded by S Huntley, carried.

New Business

a) Maribeth Burley – Request for funding re Heritage Centre, Zone Executive recommended support for donation of $1000 to facilitate taxidermy mounts of bald eagle and pileated woodpecker motion by J Kelly and seconded by S Laird, carried
b) Larry Wickett- spring cull report and request for funding for cormorant control for fall 2019 As this request was the second one submitted for 2019 the Zone executive did not recommend support for the requested funding. Larry to be advised that funding was not approved and recommended that he resubmit request in 2020.