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Tuesday June 18th, 2019
5:50 PM –7:50 PM
Universal Metal Inc.

Erie Pennsylvania Sport Fishing Association

Meeting Minutes: Tuesday June 18th, 2019

Call to Order Time: 5:50 PM

E.P.S.F.A. Board of Directors Meeting to Discuss: May meeting was not held this year, review old/new business, Summer Slam planning, cooler raffle ideas.

Board Members Present: Pete Alex, Paul Olszewski, Joe Nemet, Terry Kremer, Mike Vincent, and Quinn Bayle.

Associate Board Members Present:

Directors Not Present: Justin DiRado, Todd Redmond

Current Membership: 116

Approval of Previous Minutes

Pete Alex motioned to accept April's meeting minutes; Quinn Bayle seconded.

Treasurer's Report

Pete Alex motioned to accept February's treasurer's report. Todd Redmond seconded.

- ✓ CHECKING: \$4,918.29 (paid out: Mailbox, \$850 Kids Day, and STC winnings)
- ✓ SAVINGS: \$13,888.28
- ✓ BT SAVINGS: \$9,657.85

Reimbursements:

None

Old Business

- 1) Pete asked all participants in the Spring Trout Challenge to stand up and be recognized for their participation on a miserable day of weather.

- 2) Pete went to the Great Lakes Fishery Lake Erie Committee meeting held in Michigan in March. Chuck and Mark will be going over most of that information during their presentation.
- 3) Congratulations to Team Nemesis for winning the STC and Rock Bottom for 2nd place. Also, to Team Ditch Chicken for winning the Big Fish.
- 4) Paul spoke briefly on Kids Day and asked for volunteers.
- 5) Justin DiRado gave a FishUSA and AFTCO update about the GLATOS fish telemetry program and AFTCO's financial involvement with that program as well as other programs. The EPSFA recommends supporting AFTCO because they support our fishery as well as others.
- 6) Joe Nemet talked about our cooler raffle and Black Top Charter raffle. Tickets are available from any BOD, FishUSA or website.
- 7) PO Box to be renewed for (1) year.
- 8) Pete announced that the LEPMAG (Lake Erie Percid Management) has concluded their project and will not be meeting anymore. However, they may meet occasionally to see how the management models are performing and to keep everyone in contact.
- 9) The TAC or total allowable catches were introduced. Walleye TAC was increased while yellow perch TAC was reduced.

New Business

- 1) Discussed Summer Slam Tournament.
 - a) Need M.C. for the weigh in. Normal M.C. unavailable for both days.
 - b) Need scorekeeper
 - c) Ensure SONS members can help again this year. (Paul)
 - d) Pete will donate porta johns again this year through Alex Roofing Company.
 - e) Need to get food items to sell and give to volunteers. Water, pop, chips, hot dogs, sausages for volunteers.
 - f) Boat check personnel: Brad is ok with doing boat check and cooler collections. Determine locations.
 - g) Weigh-in. Ask Ray Halt if he can help again.
 - h) BOD decided on: Big Checks. 2 needed, 1 for PRO overall, and 1 for AM overall.
 - i) BOD decided on: Trophies: 12 Total. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place, each day, Pro and AM.
 - j) BOD decided on: Plaques: 8 Total. Overall winners 1st and 2nd, each day, PRO and AM.
 - k) BOD decided on: Kids big fish trophies: 6 Total. Overall winners, Pro and AM.
 - l) Sponsorship: Fish USA, Shimano, AFTCO, Raymarine has bowed out of sponsorship this year.
 - m) Advertise:
 1. Use front page of the rules as the main advertising pin up. It can be printed off the website. Terry take care of west county to Walnut, and Conneaut. Other members kick in and take care of Erie and East side.

2. possibly get 24 news, or any other, to cover as a local event.
3. Facebook posts and email blasts should be done multiple times prior to cutoff date for entry on Aug 2nd.
4. Plan on selling cooler raffle tickets at the main launch ramps of walnut, Lampe, state park, etc. Marinas prior to Summer Slam. That may be the best way to sell them and promote the tournament at the same time. Terry will do walnut.

n) Make #9 for banner, out of same material, give to Paul. (Terry)

o) Check on making a banner for PRO and AM. Dry erase for kids only board

- 2) BOD decided on: Fall Trout awards: 2 Checks. Big fish and First place.
- 3) BOD decided on: Trout cup awards: Trophy and big check.
- 4) BOD elections for Non-Profit status? BOD will look into what is required.
- 5) Would it be cost effective and available to have a phone APP that would be exclusive to our members? Realtime reporting of fishing and lake conditions. Pete is here, Joe is there, etc. We will check into the cost and feasibility. (Quinn)

Unfinished Business

- 1) Club fund raising opportunities discussed but need more input...Ongoing...
- 2) Request made to members to invest some time to our "fishing reports" area on the forum on this year. This was a big selling point for membership in our club originally but faded way. Members could get the latest and best fishing information for our area. Our members, including charter boats and serious fisherman, should be willing to share (most) of their information on our "members only" fishing report forum. We need to be focusing on getting more members in our club, and this is one of the best ways to do it.
- 3) Organize EPSFA equipment at Alex Roofing. Board approves \$200 if needed for shelving and organizing materials.

Motions Summary

- 1) April minutes approved.
- 2) April Treasurer's report approved.

Announcements:

- 1) Future: Next public meeting (third Tuesday of month) January 21st, 2020 at American Legion post #773 located at 4109 West 12th street, Erie, PA 16505. BOD at 4:30pm and public at 6:30pm. Speakers to follow meeting.
- 2) There are no public meetings the remainder of the 2019 year.

Other Business

- 1) There are still BOD's, associate BOD's and a tournament director position available.

Public Comments

None. Closed meeting

Adjournment Time: 7:50 pm THANK YOU ALL FOR ATTENDING

ACCEPTED BY: TERRY KREMER (EPSFA SECRETARY) DATED: 07/16/2019