



DATE: Tuesday August 21st, 2018
TIME: 5:25 PM –7:38 PM
LOCATION: Universal Metals

Erie Pennsylvania Sport Fishing Association

Meeting Minutes: Tuesday August 21st, 2018

Call to Order Time: 5:25 PM

E.P.S.F.A. Board of Directors Meeting to Discuss: After thoughts of Summer Slam Tournament, fish cleaning stations, buoy fund donation, next year's raffles, review old and new business.

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

Associate Board Members Present: Ken Nulph

Directors Not Present: Justin DiRado

Current Membership: 144

Approval of Previous Minutes

Pete Alex motioned to accept July's minutes, Quinn Bayle seconded.

Treasurer's Report

Pete Alex motioned to accept June's Treasurer's report. Quinn Bayle seconded.

- ✓ CHECKING: \$11,551.00 (not all tournament checks are cashed)
- ✓ SAVINGS: \$10,808.43
- ✓ BT SAVINGS: \$9,654.22
- ✓ Charter raffle ticket sales final: \$3,075.00

Reimbursements:

\$348.00 to Paul Olszewski. Food and drink for Summer Slam Tournament

Old Business

- 1) Formal letter written to PFBC northwest regional manager Tom Edwards with Chuck Murray and Mark Haffley copied. Request change of regulations allowing boats to fish Presque Isle Bay and Lake Erie for trout during the Friday closed season prior to opening day of trout season. Request was sent up to Ed Mascharka and presented to John Arway. It was stated that it was not the intent of that written regulation to prohibit the keeping of trout in Lake Erie or Presque Isle bay. Confirmation was sent back to club that the regulation will be changed in the future to allow targeting and keeping trout during that 32-hour closed period prior to opening day. (P.I. Bay and Lake Erie). This is another example of what group can accomplish versus an individual. Another example of why membership and support of EPSFA is important.
- 2) Microsoft office subscription ran out on club laptop. It was discussed about renewing. Terry volunteered to add office 365 to laptop because he has an extra license. Documents will be saved onto Microsoft one drive so that other members can have access to the files at any time.
- 3) Walleye Challenge spreadsheet completed and sent to Quinn for upload on website. (Terry & Quinn)
- 4) Millcreek American Legion is booked for Winter months (Jan-Apr) so there will be no conflict with normal dates. (Terry)
- 5) Pete said talking to Penny Hartman is now a bad idea after he experienced an incident in NY regarding their Pro Am. He will not ask her to consider a tournament director position.
- 6) EPSFA BOD will meet Tuesday August 7th to discuss and finalize plans for the Pro Am.
- 7) Pro Am is coming up August 11th and 12th. The EPSFA hopes the split divisions will make the event more appealing to all. Also, the optional day(s) may entice more teams to enter. Registration to enter is August 3rd, 2018 11:59pm. Add \$100 to entry fee after the 3rd.
- 8) Possible after work EPSFA fishing mission to help SONS or Vets events. Thad has all the fish he needs. 1,200 perch donated by the net fisherman put him over the top.

New Business

- 1) Breakdown each tournament for profit and loss. (Joe)
- 2) Club added \$500 for overall winner in Summer Slam. \$250 for each division.
- 3) Reimburse \$500 to Joe Nemet for donation made to Regional Science Consortium for buoy fund. He was able to get Erie Insurance to match his donation.
- 4) Ken Nulph has graciously donated a fishing charter to be raffled off next year to raise money for the club.

- 5) Amount for "Tackle package" raffle for next year needs to be determined. Pete will send email to Fish USA for discount. Possible Fish USA gift certificates. Pull raffle winner at Summer Slam.
- 6) Quinn Bayle talked to harbor master John Mulligan about fish cleaning station at Lampe. Not opposed to station, but macerator to pump up waste might have to be enlarged. Pete will put together letter with estimates of different options, as close as possible, to give to PAFBC.
- 7) Change pictures on website to more current photos of teams participating.
- 8) Advertise Ditch Chicken Tournament on Facebook and website.
- 9) Motion to pay Theresa Redmond \$150 and Paul Olszewski \$450 (\$150-day x 3) for tournament work. Motion approved.
- 10) Motion to suspend one member of EPSFA for suspicious unethical behavior. Motion approved. Pete to draft letter for board approval.

Unfinished Business

- 1) EPSFA still to arrange meeting with PFBC and others for discussing the brown trout program and stocking of browns and steelhead. Possible belly tags to track movement like walleye.
- 2) Club fund raising opportunities discussed but need more input...Ongoing...
- 3) Recommendations for next year to do 1 charter raffle and 1 tackle package raffle. Feedback from customers at Fish USA. Complete prior to January meeting.
- 4) GLATOS was discussed. Justin expressed interest on behalf of FishUSA on being involved with that program for the big picture. Pete's contact is Chris Vandergoot. Chris spearheads the GLATOS studies and research for multiple States. Justin has been in contact with some companies to try and get them on board with this program as well. Donating money for tags and other things.
- 5) LEAC meeting. Attended by Pete Alex, Paul Olszewski, and Mike Vincent. Fish Commission will entertain idea of fish cleaning station with Lake Erie stamp money. They want clubs to do leg work and present type of stations to use, waste removal, setups, and costs. Check with John Mulligan from port authority. He may have already completed research into station at Lampe marina. Fish cleaning station committee volunteers are Pete Alex, Mike Vincent, and Quinn Bayle. Big mink farmer has retired, and John Early is starting off his new farm, but only has 400 minks right now. Intends to grow, but it takes time. This may impact the carcass drop off and pickups in the future.

Motions Summary

- 1) July minutes approved.
- 2) July Treasurer's report approved.
- 3) Approval to pay Theresa and Paul for tournament work.
- 4) Suspend one member of EPSFA. Approved

Announcements:

Next public meeting (third Tuesday of month) January 15th, 2019 at American Legion post #773 located at 4109 west 12th street, Erie, PA 16505. BOD at 4:30pm and public at 6:30pm.

Next board meeting for B.O.D. only is 5:00pm September 18th, 2018 at Universal Metals, 1404 East 12th street, Erie, PA 16503

Other Business

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

Public Comments

None, Closed meeting of Officers and B.O.D.

Adjournment Time: 7:38 pm THANK YOU ALL FOR ATTENDING

ACCEPTED BY: TERRY KREMER (EPSFA SECRETARY) DATED: 9/17/2018