

## **Suskie Bassmasters General Meeting**

Feb 19, 2025, 7:00 PM River Grill in WB

Board Attendance: Jim Lacomis, Chris Ostrowski, John Nealon, Tom Shaffer, Matt Miller, Ralph Aufiero

The meeting was called to order at 7:10

### **Agenda Items:**

#### **1. Treasury Report**

- Chris reported club balance at \$2700 going into the 2025 season.

#### **2. New Business**

- Nesbitt Cleanup this year will be Saturday, April 12 from 9-12 AM. Posting to go up.
- Riverfest this year will be June 20/21. Looking to do the same as last year. Riverfront Committee has committed funds for giveaways at this year's event. Chris will work with Mayday to secure. Club decided to go back to Nimrods as he seemed to treat the club the best for these events.
- John Levitski from the Luz County Conservation District gave a brief presentation of the water willow project. He planted 1000 last year and is looking for club support to plant 2000 this year. More to come on this.
- Larry mentioned ramp lights were getting bad. Solar lights are reaching end of life. Chris is currently on a committee to revamp the WB parks including Nesbitt. Some ideas include:
  1. Adding a 3<sup>rd</sup> launch lane
  2. Re-alignment of the parking lot
  3. Revamp the golf course
  4. Replace the solar lighting
- First Mate and alternate Boat Discussed. No changes to the rules recommended but we just clarified the rule. In the event a captain or his boat is unavailable:
  1. A substitute boat can be used and captained by either member.
  2. The alternate member can be any club member
  3. The alternate boat can also belong to a club member but in that case, no member of the alternate team can be present on the boat.
  4. The spirit of the rule is that a team cannot change its identity and fish as another team by using another team's boat AND team members.

- **2025 Season Schedule**

1. 2025 Season Begins June 18<sup>th</sup>.
2. 13 week rule will remain as is.
3. Since the season is a bit shorter, we will push out the Championship to Sept 28<sup>th</sup> this year with Oct 5 as the backup. Club decided the 15" slot is a moot issue anyway as it would not really affect any outcome.

- **Next Meeting set for April 9<sup>th</sup> at 7: PM at River Grill**

Meeting Adjourned 7:40 pm