

Northwest CT Sportsman's Council

Minutes: August 23, 2005

Meeting called to order at 7:45pm by Council President, Craig Nelson. All rise for Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll of Clubs, Delegates, & Officers:

Seamus Muzzolin, Rocky River CC; Dean Fraley, Ousatonic Fish & Game, & Ct Classic Buck; Peter Gray, NWCSA; Joe Rinaldi, Torrington Fish & Game; Phillip W. Mauriello, W/ S F&G; Jerry Ciarcia, WTBY Fish and Game; Dom Basile, Chase, Bell City, & Metacon; Tom Accuosti, Goshen Sportsmen; Ray Frost Western Ct Tree hound Assoc; Craig Nelson, New Preston F&G; Chris Marino, NVBC; Clyde Breakell, Foothill's Sportsman.

Minutes of July meeting were read and accepted.

Financial Report:

All financial papers will be turned over to Tom Accuosti before the next meeting. The papers will be signed and given to the bank for the change of names on the accounts. All bills have been paid. Tom will report at the September meeting.

Correspondence No report

Membership: A list of all members with updated addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses will be compiled shortly.

CAC- No Meeting

Committees:

Rapid Response - Chris Marino has been advised that the Nature Conservancy is negotiating the control of 16,000 acres of State Forest Land with the DEP. No active management to be allowed. In return NC is offering to fund two foresters positions for three years and to help pay for certification of DEP's forestry program. The NWSC will bring this up at the next CAC meeting and try to find out what the facts are.

Banquet: The event will be held the 3rd week of February on a Friday in 2006. Tickets \$30. Committees need to be formed for Work, Raffle and Services.

Craig Nelson and will email a copy of the request for merchandise to Phillip Mauriello .

We will need at least a 25 minimum limit of Guns to be raffled off. Trips, Fly Fishing Outfits GPS, and other various items.

Raffle- No report

Old Business:

Goshen Fair- We will not be attending this year as DEP will not be there and the space for us was moved to the midway. We also do not have the time to set up a meaningful display.

Insurance: Jason was not at meeting so no report was given.

Jr. Hunting Day: 9/ 17/ 05, Torrington Fish & Game- Members should be there by 7:00am. Mark Fowler is running it this year. Chris and Denny are co-coordinating with him. There are 50 kids booked and we will need at least 100 birds. We have applied for a grant to help defray the cost of birds through the DEP with funding provided by the National Shooting Sports Foundation.

Clyde and Chris will get the food. Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Soda.

There will be other Jr. Hunting day events on 10/ 8, and if any food is left we will donate to them. Jason is in charge of procuring Hunter Safety Instructor services. Dogs also will be needed. Phil indicated that he would bring his dogs.

By Laws:

Chris retyped the by-laws. There were several revisions to the election of Board of Directors and the in-house Audit.

Phil made a motion to accept the By Laws as written and Dean seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Dominic indicated that it would be good for all members to receive a copy of the Agenda before the actual meeting date. Craig Nelson will try to e-mail it out to members who give him a good e-mail address.

New Business:

A nominating Committee for Board of Directors will be set up. Jerry Ciarcia and Jim Fedorich will present nominations for the 3 positions at the next meeting and an election will be held that night.

On 9/ 10/ 05, Artie Palmer of New Milford is to hold his annual senior citizen Fishing Outing in Bridgewater. He needs \$ to pay for the drivers of the buses to take the seniors from the nursing homes to the ponds. A was motion was made and seconded for the NWCSC to donate \$400 to help with the cost. All were in favor of our donation. Motion passed.

The Friends of NRA Dinner will be held on 10/ 21/ 05 at the Cornucopia Restaurant in Torrington. Cost is \$35.00. They need volunteer help and a good showing of area sportsmen and women.

The Danielson State Police Facility is available 2 days a month for renewing your Pistol permit.

The American Hunting Association is affiliated with an anti gun movement. Watch for it and if you get any info bring it to the meetings.

Good of the Organization:

9/ 25/ 05- Ousatonic Fish and Game Assoc. will hold their annual Fish Fry and BBQ at Harrybrooke Park in New Milford.

9/ 1/ 05- Goose season opens on 9/ 1. Stamps are \$15 Federal and \$10 State. 5-bird bag limit. Early Squirrel season opens the same day.

10/ 1/ 05 Turkey Season opens

A Motion was made to start the Association Corporation papers. Motion passed. A report will be made at the next meeting. Kathy to prepare the application.

Meeting adjourned at 9:25pm.