

FRIENDS OF HULLETT

MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING - HELD AT EXETER TOWN HALL

29 October 2019 7:30 PM

Present: Mike Cardinal, Bill Dineen, Ryan Bayne, Jim Bayne, Mat Shetler, Chris Ambrose

Absent: Duane Inkpen, Wade Beaudoin, Steven Zingaro

Guests: Scott Austin, Greg Urquhart

Meeting called to order: 7:32 PM

Review Minutes: September minutes - Corrections noted.

Treasurer's Report: The big thing the student income wasn't in so that would show a greater deficit in income if it was in.

- Chequing is down. There's a bit of increase in equipment repairs.

- The new bike has cleared the account. \$10,735

- Some discussion on one of the entry placement location in the budget.

Spent under \$2000 last year and we've done more this year, so that puts us up.

Marsh report:

- update for Item 13 got the money promptly.

- Drain completed by barn.

- Pheasant release going well. Lots of hunters. Going to have a banner year on the pheasant challenge. Scott quite happy with the PayPal account.

-Some discussion on the new bike we bought...all positive comments.

- Mention that Heritage opening day may be moved up next year.

MNR and DU

Forestry – still no word on that.

DU – Two of them are coming out in a couple of weeks – Scott to take them to Bluewing to show some of his issues. Maybe install a Staff Gauge, so we can take a picture of the water levels and send it in to them.

Website and User Guide.

It will be out by mid January. Stats on website - Stats are September, 1880 visits. Oct 1750 visits.

Pheasant challenge going well. Youth waterfowl hunts good feedback. Duck and goose calling making it more interactive for the kids. Maybe background checks on some of the volunteers should be done. For instance, unsupervised mentors who could be alone with youth.

Somebody asking about a dog handling section if we had time and maybe the CO give a talk. Greg to make up a presentation....having some ducks cooked at the end of the event could be a good thing. Greg to put a little bit of a report together to get feedback and then send it along to us.

New Business:

GIC's - we aren't making money on our what we have in our accounts. Maybe we should transfer some money that could be earning money. Maybe a savings account as well as a chequing account. Scott to go and talk to the bank about doing this...to see if it's worth doing. In the end, we should consider changing banks.

2020 budget and wages.

Comments on the budgets presented by Ryan.

Greg has looked at another job for the coming season though not necessarily wanting to leave us. We support our employees upgrading to promote their career.

Adjourned 8:40 PM