

January 8, 2025

24 MEMBERS PRESENT

President Hardwick called the meeting to order and led us in the pledge of allegiance.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and a motion was made by Tim Gile and seconded by Pat Gerber to approve the minutes as read. Motion carried

Ed presented the financial report. Ed reported that he was able to purchase a MSR rifle for \$500 for the fishing contest raffle. He also reported that we have approximately \$4200 invested in the Shooting Range so far. The clubhouse is rented for January 26th. Motion to approve the Treasurer's report made by Jack Iktiari and seconded by Don Hart and motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

SCHOOL CLUB FUND RAISERS — Emily, a representative from the Lincoln FFA was present and would like to hold a breakfast fundraiser at our clubhouse with the proceeds to be used for expenses for their upcoming Leadership Conference to be held in Washington DC later this year. They are looking at the last weekend in March as a possible date. As previously agreed, the club will purchase the food, and the club will do all of the advertising, sale of tickets, etc. Tickets will be \$10 in advance or \$12 at the door and the menu will be scrambled eggs, sausage, pancakes, juice, milk and coffee.

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS – Max Young reported that there were two \$500 scholarships awarded – Luke Fisher and Emily Otto were the recipients

FISHING CONTEST — The American Legion Auxiliary will manage the kitchen again this year. Discussion on need for a better speaker system and it was suggested by Ruth to attend the upcoming Jackson County Fairboard meeting and ask if we could rent their new wireless speaker system. Don Hart will attend this meeting. Next month we will have a sign up sheet for work details. Ed reported that we have contracted with WHTL radio out of Whitehall to participate in their Ice Fishing Tour advertising event. We will get appoximately 50 air spots and then they will do a 2 hour live broadcast the day of the event. Cost is \$495. We will have Bethany Young make the t shirts for this kids again this year (12 and under). Dennis will collect raffle prizes from businesses in BRF and Jack volunteered to do the Merrillan/Humbird and Alma Center business. Steve and Jeff will do Neillsville.

NEW BUSINESS

- Jack will talk with the sand mile about a donation for the Big Bang fireworks.
- Turkey Calling workshop was again suggested. We would like to hold this in April
- Dennis Hardwick will do the meal for February.
- There will be a Celebration of Life for Dennis Gjerseth on April 12th at the clubhouse.
- Elections:
 - Sue Larson was reelected to the position of Secretary
 - Ed was reelected to the position of Treasurer
 - o Dan Theiler was elected as Vice President
 - o New President is the Vice President from last year, Max Young,
 - Directors are:

Alex Larson (2026)

Mike Sigler – 2027 Tony Tondola - 2028

Meeting adjourned at 7:40