

Brooks Fish and Game Association
Meeting Minutes
May 18th, 2021

Attendees: Jordan Johnson, Alisha Johnson, Dan Buell, Brian Petersen, Brian Peers, Rod Rosland, Rod Opperman, Lester Janke

Jordan Johnson, President, called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

The agenda was moved by Brian Peers and seconded by Lester Janke and approved.

Minutes from March 2021 were moved by Lester Janke and seconded by Rod Rosland all approved.

Treasurer- Brian Petersen,

-\$34,000 chequing

-\$160,000 Pheasant Festival

-\$5,000 x 2 savings accounts

- The annual return for our society is due at the end of May.

Membership Chair-Brian Peers,

-143 Regular, 62 family, 120 dependants, 6 youth with a total of 331 total.

Trophy Chair- Rod Opperman,

-Lots of fish submissions coming in.

Pheasant Festival Committee- Lester Janke,

Long Pump-

-The new trees that were planted have been mostly eaten by the deer.

-No plans for a food lot as it will be too much work and upkeep. Instead, it has been discussed to plant a grass, hay combo.

-Lester submitted a County of Newell grant for more trees. If the grant is approved, we would have to ask AFGA approval to plant them. Also, if approved we would need to find a ditch plow and tractor for planting.

Gun Show Committee- Dan Buell,

-6-8 vendors have sent in their papers.

-Gun raffle tickets are available to purchase.

-Gun show advertising will start mid March.

Hunter Education- Alisha Johnson,

-Nothing to report

Firearms Chair- Tom Anderson, ABSENT

Email report:

In early May a story broke concerning the supposedly destroyed records of the long gun registry. Ontario lawyer Ed Burlew was knee deep in a firearms related court case, when he came across a document provided by the crown prosecutor that could have only been produced from the records of the long gun registry. The long gun registry came into effect in Canada in 1995 under Jean Chretien and was abolished and ordered to be destroyed in 2012 under Stephen Harper. The RCMP is actively denying the allegations. Although it is not the first time the public has suspected the records still secretly exist, looking back to the gun grab following the evacuations during the 2013 High River flood. We will continue to follow this story closely.

Bill C-21 (The gun ban bill) is currently in the second reading stage as of April 23rd, 2021. Parliament will soon break for its summer recess, which is good for gun owners as it slows the march towards gun control by a few months.

Rifle Range Chair-Dan Buell,

- Gray Graphics made a sign to cover the bullet holes in the c-can.
- Dan is going out to spread some gravel and do small maintenance tomorrow.
- During the last inspection it was noted the bales on the back side of the range should be replaced.

Awards night committee- Lester Janke,

- Cancelled for the 2020 awards due to Covid restrictions.

Archery Chair- Chris Hermann, absent

Fishing Chair- Shaun Veroba, absent

- Walleye tags due April 21st.
- Carp can only be harvested legally by hand. No fishing with a net.

Hunting Chair- Carsen McCormick,

- Draws are coming out mid June.

Public Relations Chair- Rod Opperman

- Rod plans on meeting up with Cori to go over the website as soon as Covid restrictions are lifted and it is ok to do so.

Firearms education Chair- position not filled

New Business:

Old Business

- Water rights at Putuik property.
- Skeet approval, waiting on resubmitting the application. Rod Rosland has sent an email with the preliminary budget.

- Waiting to hear from the EID for any left over trees.
- Zone meeting coming up May 29th @9:00am.
- Putting the cash raffle on hold until the gun raffle is over. Dan suggested having the cash raffle starting November and pulling the winning tickets during the Awards night.

Next meeting June 15th, 2021

Motion to adjourn Meeting was Lester Janke, seconded by Dan Buell. Meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm.