

Federation of Dutchess County Fish and Game Clubs, Inc.

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February 27, 2017 Board of Directors Meeting

Attendance: Anthony Pittore VP, Pete Kraaenbrink, Treasurer, Bill Conners, Legislative Chairman, David Compton, Secretary, Board Directors Ken Rose, Tom Holsopple, Scott Emslie, Bob Pascocello

The meeting was opened a 7:05 PM by Chairman Anthony Pittore.

Financial Report Accepted as presented

Committees:

Annual Dinner: The Dinner Banquet was a success. Attendance was light, something we plan to work on in the coming year. There were a few small issues that the Federation intends to address for the upcoming Dinner Banquet that will insure a greater success in 2018. The awards ceremony was a success, congratulations to Award winners, Ken Rose (Lifetime Achievement), Harold and Judy Coons (Sportspersons of the Year) Dutchess County Long Rifles (Sports Club of the Year), Lt. David Clayton (President's Award) and

Hunters Helping the Hungry: There's a 150 lbs of meat in the freezer to be picked up.

The Federation sends it's prayers to the Granddaughter of Ed Berkel, a friend of the Federation who assists with the distribution of game meat. His granddaughter is very ill.

The Long Island deer cull is still in the planning stages.

Fish: Ken Rose reported that March 22 will start the fish stocking season beginning with Ten Mile River, Webatuck Creek and Swamp River March 23rd, Roeliff, Janson Kill, Crumb Elbow, Saw Kill March 24th Fishkill Creek, Sprout Creek March 28th Wappingers Creek Second round starts in April.

Jr. Hunter Pheasant Hunt: Updated report in March

Conservation Education: Updated report in March

Outdoor Journal: Updated report in March

Legislation Report Report out from the state legislative retrieval system. There are 167 bills that the Council has on its watch list that are what's called two house bills or bills that are in one house that should be watched real close. A complete report will be sent to Tom Holsopple and he'll post it on our website.

New York State Conservation Council The annual Spring Meeting will be on March 18, 2017 at Herkimer Community College. DEC will be there.

Bill Conners is pushing for a temporary revocable permit to tour the wild multiple use areas in the two county region Putnam and Dutchess County to use ATV's to photograph road conditions and things that need to be repaired. Conners wants to put a letter together to get the Taconic Hereford and other multiple use areas closed during the month of May until 12:30 PM because you can't hunt turkey beyond noon and that will give the hunters an additional 30 minutes to get out before the mountain bikers go in.

Communications: Updated report in March.

Old Business: Committee restructurings are still under consideration. Will be discussed at next meeting. Motion was made and approved to look at committee structure.

New Business: Motion was made and approved for the purchase of a Lazer printer for the secretary not to exceed \$125.00. Congressman Faso has co-sponsored a bill for Gun Reciprocity. We owe a debt of gratitude to Ken Rose for all his years of efforts on our behalf. We also owe Ken a congratulatory note, he will be inducted into the New York State Outdoorsman Hall of Fame on April 29th, 2017. The event will be celebrated in Canastota, New York, at the Rusty Nail. Dinner tickets are \$25.00. Hope everyone attends to give Ken our support.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05PM.

Respectfully submitted,

David Compton, Secretary