

Agenda

Great Lakes HRC

September 2017

Attendees:

Jon Schut, Chad Miller, Tom Shaw, Charlie Kitchel, Ben Petroelje, Jim Holzgen, Jeff Kooiker, Larry Zuidema, Phil Swedberg,

Last Meeting's Minutes

Motion to accept the minutes Jeff, seconded by Phil. Minutes accepted.

Treasurer's Report

Current balance is \$13,589. Jim said he looked back the previous 2 years, and our balances were \$8,500, and \$6,900 respectively. Jim said there are multiple reasons for our balance being where it is currently at. We had great success with our hunt tests, and we have added several new members this year.

Fun Hunts

There are no current fun hunts on agenda. Many members will be either hunting, or preparing to hunt. If someone would like to set something up, feel free to message Chad.

Old Business

Jon Schut, the teacher from Caledonia, who was the representative who brought the students to the Interim GLHRC week was with us tonight. He thanked our club, and members for offering this opportunity, and we shared with him that we would like to do this again in 2018. We will plan to accept up to 12 students.

Jim mentioned that a few members have contacted him for the code to purchase discounted Drake Waterfowl gear.

Special Thanks goes out to club members, Ron Crawford, Kyle Wildschut, and Mike DeVries for their willingness to setup a Retriever demonstration at the Lake Effect Chapter of MDHA Youth Day at the Muskegon State Game Area. The dogs were a big hit with the kids.

New Business

Phil made a motion, seconded by Chad to purchase 8 Dog training bags from Drake to have embroidered with our club logo to give to judges who judge our hunt tests in 2018. Each bag costs \$50, and would be given in lieu of a \$50 gift card. All in favor.

A motion was made by Chad, and seconded by Ben to donate \$500 for Hurricane Relief to HRC members affected by hurricane Harvey. All in favor. Chad will contact HRC, and find out where the funds would be best donated.

Our 2018 Upland Hunt will again fall on Easter weekend. It was the consensus of those at the meeting to move our Upland Hunt up 1 week.

A good discussion was had with regards to purchasing 4 Zinger box launchers for the club. While we will always try to have natural flushes in our Upland test, many times the birds, or the weather do not cooperate. Chad mentioned that we would also be able to use these for walkup birds in regular hunt tests as well. We also discussed purchasing enough sets of electronics to outfit each level of our hunt tests with them. The subject of purchasing new wingers to begin replacing some of our older ones also was had. This came with the idea that as we purchase new, that the old wingers would be auctioned off to members with a minimum starting bid of \$100. In total, all of these expenditures by the club would be in the amount of \$2,500, if approved. We decided to table this vote until our October meeting.

One other item that was discussed was the club maintaining a balance of \$10,000 going into 2108. This would be possible, even with the purchases above, judge gifts, and the hurricane relief donation.

Adjourn

A motion was made to adjourn by Jeff, and seconded by Larry.