

Federated Rhode Island Sportsmen's Clubs, Inc.

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Federated Meeting- 19 July 2010

Meeting was called to order at 7:07 PM.

A quorum was met. There were representatives from 11 clubs.

ROLL CALL:

Present were the president, secretary, and representatives from RI Fish & Game Protective Assn; Wincheck Gun Club; RIHunts.com; RI Raccoon Hunters; Wallum Lake Rod & Gun; Highland Rod & Gun; Rumford Hunting & Fishing; Manville Sportsmen's Club; Narragansett Bowhunters; Pine Tree Gun Club; and Woonsocket Sportsman's Club.

GUEST SPEAKER(S):

Mr. Eric Wallin, (R) candidate for Attorney General spoke of less restrictive carry permit restrictions and meeting with police chiefs and having a discussion of what "shall issue" really means and support of E-verify among other planks of his platform.

Mr. Victor Moffitt, (R) candidate for Governor spoke of less restriction for hunters, consolidation of state services term limits for all offices and his support of E-verify among other topics.

Secretary's Note: Both gubernatorial candidates who have spoken to the Federated so far have mentioned big cuts in state spending including D.E.M.. While there is a lot of fat on the budget, Fish and Wildlife is looking like "Lean Cuisine" and I don't know how much fat they'll find there. It seems that they both need a little education. -Dean

The guest present from D.E.M. was Larry Mouradjian, Director of Bureau of Natural Resources.

FISH & WILDLIFE REPORT:

Larry Mouradjian talked about the successful deer hunting workshops that were held in Tiverton and Providence and was happy with the reception F&W received by members of the East Bay. D.E.M. is currently working with FEMA concerning damage done to the Carolina Trout Hatchery, but due to them being a recipient of federal monies through USF&W they may not be eligible to collect from FEMA. Also the D.E.M. dispatch will be consolidated with Public Safety (State Police) though details haven't been finalized. A public hearing has yet to be scheduled concerning Migratory Bird Hunting, see our website for updates.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING: were accepted.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

"We have some money." -Dennis
We are *still* looking for a treasurer.

COMMUNICATION AND BILLS:

No bills to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The board is looking at getting back to running the club by the by-laws. This means more streamlined meetings and business brought to the Federated should be done in righting or brought up by a delegate. We are looking at the calendar to plan visits to member clubs. Shot Gunner and Archer of the Year Contests roll on. Plans are underway for improvements to the competition.

OLD BUSSINESS:

NONE

NEW BUSSINESS:

We are looking at forming a committee to investigate localities with hunting and target practice ordinances that are more restrictive than state law. Contact Dean Talbot for more information. A committee has been formed to sponsor the Youth Pheasant Hunting Weekend (9, 10 October). At present we are looking at providing a hamburger/ hot dog lunch for the participants. Contact Dean Talbot for more information. Jack Peters is looking for legislative support for a "Hunting Mentor Program", such a program could enable an eligible (no criminal background) non-hunter to go afield for a day with a hunter-mentor to get the feel for the sport before making the commitment of hunter education programs.

NEXT MEETING: 16 August 2010 @ 7PM, Phenix Sportsmen's Club, West Warwick, RI

Meeting was ADJOURNED: 9:20 at PM.

Respectfully submitted by,
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another Secretary's Note:

To member clubs, please consider letting your members use their time volunteered to the Federated count to their club work party detail. We are working very hard to grow the Federated by getting out there and making a good name for ourselves and yes you, since you are members. We make a great effort to plug clubs that help us out so the effort won't be wasted and we could use the help. -Dean

Upcoming events:

Pig Roast	Cranston Fish & Game	28 August 2010
Fall Fest Family Field Day	Wallum Lake Rod & Gun	12 September 2010
FRISC Annual Banquet	West Valley Inn	25 September 2010