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FEDERATED MEETING - SEPTEMBER 21, 2009

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:05 PM. A QUORUM WAS MET.

PRESENT WERE THE PRESIDENT, VICE-PRESIDENT, AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM RI FISH & GAME PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION, BLUE WATER SPORTSMEN'S CLUB, CRANSTON FISH & GAME, TRI-TOWN ROD & GUN CLUB, RI RACCOON HUNTERS, RI HUNTS, MANVILLE SPORTSMEN'S CLUB, WEST BAY ANGLERS, PINE TREE GUN CLUB, RUMFORD HUNTING & FISHING CLUB, WALLUM LAKE ROD & GUN CLUB AND WINCHECK GUN CLUB.

PRESENT FROM D.E.M. WERE LARRY MOURADJIAN, DIRECTOR OF BUREAU OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND MICHAEL LONGTIN, DIVISION OF ENFORCEMENT.

LARRY MOURADJIAN ADVISED THAT THERE HAVE BEEN SOME PROBLEMS WITH GETTING PURCHASE ORDERS, BUT ITEMS ARE GOING THROUGH. 3500 PHEASANTS WILL BE PURCHASED FROM ADDIEVILLE EAST FARMS. LARRY STATED THAT THIS IS THE 3RD YEAR OF A THREE YEAR CONTRACT. YOUTH PHEASANT ORIENTATION DAY WENT WELL. THE YOUTH PHEASANT DAY WILL BE ON OCTOBER 10, 2009 AT THE GREAT SWAMP M.A. AS PART OF THE YOUTH PHEASANT WEEKEND. JASON OSENKOSKI WAS NAMED SUPERVISING PRINCIPLE WILDLIFE BIOLOGIST. STAFF IS CONTINUING TO DO GREAT WORK AND WORKING HARD. THE PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD FOR THE 2009-2010 WATERFOWL AND FALCONRY REGULATIONS. ALL WENT WELL AND THE REGULATIONS SHOULD BE POSTED ANY TIME NOW. THE PARKS AND MANAGEMENT AREA REGULATIONS WERE ALSO OPENED TO DISCUSSION TO ADDRESS SOME ISSUES AT THE STATE RANGE AT GREAT SWAMP. TALKS ARE ONGOING WITH FEDERAL AID AND THE DIVISION WILL BE ASKING FOR MORE SALMON TO BE STOCKED THIS WINTER FOR THE ICE FISHING SEASON. THE DIVISION IS ALSO LOOKING AT RAISING SALMON MUCH LIKE THE TROUT PROGRAM FOR FUTURE STOCKINGS. THERE WILL BE STAFF THIS YEAR AT THE DEER CHECK STATION FOR THE MANDATORY CHECK DAYS, PLEASE CHECK THE REGULATION FOR DATES. THE STATE IS MOVING TO A "NO PRINTING COST POLICY", SO THIS YEAR THE HUNTING ABSTRACT WILL NOT BE PRINTED AND PLACED AROUND THE STATE. ALL ARE ASKED TO PLEASE CHECK THE D.E.M. WEBSITE FOR A COPY.

MICHAEL LONGTIN FROM ENFORCEMENT BROUGHT UP THAT SHELLFISH CAN ONLY BE SOLD TO LICENSED SHELLFISH BUYERS. AT THE LAST FRISC MEETING A QUESTION WAS ASKED ABOUT FALLOW DEER THAT ARE IN THE WOODS ON THE RI / CT BORDER. THE SHOOTING, TAKING AND/OR POSSESSION OF THESE DEER IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED. ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL THE

ENFORCEMENT HOTLINE.

A FEW QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR WERE ASKED. VICE-PRESIDENT, CRAIG LACHAPELLE ASKED A QUESTION ABOUT BAITING COYOTES. HE STATED THAT HE LIVES IN THE WARWICK NECK AREA AND THIS IS STARTING TO BECOME A PROBLEM. ENFORCEMENT STATED THAT BAITING ON PRIVATE LAND ONLY FOR THE PURPOSE OF HUNTING IS ALLOWED. DEAN TALBOT RAISED THE QUESTION AS TO THE IMPLIED CHANGE REGARDING THE LATE MUZZLELOADER SEASON AND WHETHER THE TWO TAGS CAN NOW BE USED ON STATE PROPERTY. WE RECOGNIZE THE CONCERN AND THE INTENT WAS TO REMAIN AS AN INCENTIVE TO PRIVATE LANDS ONLY - A TECHNICAL REVISION WILL BE SOUGHT TO REDEFINE THE LANGUAGE.

MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING WERE VOTED ON AND ACCEPTED. ARNIE FROM WALLUM LAKE ASKED THAT IF A CLUB HAS A FLYER TO GO OUT WITH THE MAILING THAT THEY GO IN ALL THE MAILINGS.

THE TREASURER'S REPORT WAS READ AND ACCEPTED.

UNDER COMMUNICATION AND BILLS, THERE WAS A DISCUSSION ABOUT HOW CZAR CASS SUNSTINE WAS VOTED ON BY BOTH SENATORS IN WASHINGTON. MR. SUNSTINE IS NOT A FRIEND OF THE HUNTERS AND FISHERMEN OF THE COUNTRY. THE PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT CONTACTED BOTH SENATOR REED AND SENATOR WHITEHOUSE TO STATE THAT THE FRISC DID NOT APPROVE OF THIS APPOINTMENT. AL SILVA FROM TRI-TOWN ASKED IF THE FRISC HAD HEARD THAT GUN SHOPS WERE NOT ACCEPTING ATTORNEY GENERAL CARRY PERMITS. HE ALSO STATED THAT THE TOWN POLICE CHIEFS ARE NOT ISSUING PERMITS AND SOME ARE REQUESTING THAT PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATIONS BE TAKEN. THE PRESIDENT ADVISED THAT HE WOULD CONTACT D. CYNTHIA JULIEN AND ASK IF SHE COULD ATTEND THE NEXT FRISC MEETING AS SHE WOULD HAVE THE INFO ON THIS ISSUE. A REQUEST FROM THE MAILING SECRETARY THAT ANY CLUB WISHING TO PUT FLYERS IN THE MAILING, TO PLEASE DO SO ON THE LIGHTEST PAPER POSSIBLE DUE TO POSTAGE COST.

UNDER COMMITTEE REPORTS, JOHN COTE REPORTED THAT THE BANQUET IS SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2009 AT 6PM AT THE IVY GARDENS. THERE HAVE BEEN 102 TICKETS SOLD AND THE RAFFLE IS LOOKING GREAT. IT SHOULD BE A GREAT TIME AND THANKS TO ALL FOR THEIR HARD WORK. DAN INSANA STATED THAT THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE IS PUTTING FORWARD FOR ELECTION NEXT MONTH:

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VICE-PRESIDENT: CRAIG LACHAPELLE, BLUE WATER SPORTSMEN'S CLUB, INC.
RECORDING SECRETARY: DEAN TALBOT, WINCHECK GUN CLUB / RI HUNTS
TREASURER: KEVIN MOWRY, WOONSOCKET SPORTSMAN'S CLUB, INC.

ANY MEMBER THAT WISHES TO SERVE ON THE E-BOARD SHOULD CONTACT DAN INSANA AT (401) 739-7238.

THE PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT BROUGHT UP TWO COMPETITIONS FOR NEXT YEAR. ONE IS TO BE A SHOT GUNNER OF THE YEAR AND THE OTHER IS

ARCHER OF THE YEAR. AT THIS TIME WE NEED HELP FOR THE COMMITTEE AND A FEW CLUBS TO HOST THE EVENTS. PLEASE SEE THE FLYERS FOR EACH WITH THIS MAILING. ANYONE INTERESTED OR CLUB WILLING TO HOST PLEASE CONTACT PRESIDENT DENNIS ETHELLES, JR. LARRY MOURADJIAN SUGGESTED THAT THE FRISC HOST A BIG BUCK OF THE YEAR AWARD. THE E-BOARD WILL PUT THIS TOGETHER FOR THE COMPETITION FOR THIS YEAR.

ED SMITH PASSED OUT FLYERS FOR THE FRISC GAME DINNER THAT IS GOING TO BE HELD SUNDAY, JANUARY 24, 2010 AT THE KELLEY GAZZERO POST IN CRANSTON. TICKET DONATIONS ARE \$30.00. CONTACT ED SMITH FOR TICKETS AT (401) 828-0860. ED ALSO STATED THAT RAFFLE TICKETS FOR THE AURORA LAORENZA FUND ARE DUE AND YOU CAN CONTACT HIM IF YOU STILL HAVE TICKETS.

UNDER OLD BUSINESS, A MOTION WAS MADE AND SECONDED TO ACCEPT THE BY-LAWS THAT WERE SENT OUT TO ALL CLUBS AND FRISC DELEGATES. A VOTE WAS HELD AND THEN PASSED TO ACCEPT THE BY-LAWS AS AMENDED AND WRITTEN.

UNDER NEW BUSINESS, THE PRESIDENT BROUGHT UP THAT A PROGRAM WAS NEEDED TO KEEP THE WEBSITE UP TO DATE. THE FORMER RECORDING SECRETARY HAD THE PROGRAM AND HE IS USING IT. THE PROGRAM IS DREAMWEAVER BY ADOBE AND THE COST IS \$400.00. A MOTION WAS MADE AND SECONDED TO BUY THE PROGRAM. THE MOTION WAS PASSED AND THE PRESIDENT WAS INSTRUCTED TO GET THE PROGRAM ASAP.

THE VICE-PRESIDENT SPOKE OF A PHEASANT FOREVER CHAPTER. AT THIS TIME CRAIG LACHAPPELLE AND DENNIS ETHELLES ARE TRYING TO FORM A CHAPTER AND LOOKING FOR ANYONE THAT IS INTERESTED IN HELPING. LARRY MOURADJIAN ASKED THAT THE STATE BIOLOGIST BE CONTACTED. RECENTLY THE REGIONAL BIOLOGIST FOR PHEASANTS FOREVER WAS CONTACTED AND AS SOON AS THERE ARE 6 OR 7 PEOPLE THAT ARE DEDICATED TO FORMING A CHAPTER THEY WILL COME TO RI AND SPEAK. ANYBODY INTERESTED PLEASE CONTACT CRAIG AT clachapelle@frisc.net or DENNIS AT detchells@frisc.net.

THE MANVILLE SPORTSMEN'S ROD & GUN CLUB IS HOSTING THEIR ANNUAL SETTLER'S DAY ON SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26TH AND 27TH, 2009 FROM 9AM TO 6PM.

A MOTION WAS MADE AND SECONDED TO ADJOURN AT 8:40PM.

NEXT MEETING - OCTOBER 19, 2009 AT 7:00PM - PHENIX SPORTSMEN'S CLUB

P.S.

D. CYNTHIA JULIEN WAS CONTACTED BY THE PRESIDENT AND WILL BE ATTENDING THE NEXT MEETING.