

Luzerne County Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs

Website: LCCPFSC.org

Member Clubs: Nanticoke Conservation Club, Nescopeck Hunting and Rifle Club, Norway Ridge Sportsmen's Club, Nuangola Rod and Gun Club, Wilkes-Barre Rifle and Pistol Club, Edgewood Sportsman's Club.

Call Meeting to Order: 7:30 pm; April 11, 2022.

Meeting Pledge: Pledge of Allegiance and Conservation Pledge.

Roll Call of Officers: Dennis Grimes, President; Norman Frederick, Secretary; Joseph Frederick, Treasurer (absent); Bob Williams, 1st V.P.; Phil Levandowski 2nd V.P.

Roll Call of Clubs: Norway Ridge (Norm Frederick), Nanticoke (Phil Levandowski), Nescopeck (Bob Williams).

Reading of Minutes: The minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved. (Bob/Phil)

Communications and Bills: Dennis sent a letter to our Representatives to encourage their support for the online purchasing of antlerless licenses through the PA Game Commissions <https://huntfish.pa.gov/> website. Dennis will also contact the new President of the PFSC regarding his attendance at one of our future meetings.

Club Reports: Nanticoke Conservation Club: Phil reported that his club held a stream clean-up and stocking on Harvey's Creek. The stocking included the float-stocking of three baskets of trout through various parts of the stream. The clean-up was a success, and everyone had a good time.

On May 21st, Phil's club will be holding a kid's fishing derby on Harvey's Creek. All children must be accompanied by an adult with a fishing license. The kids will be divided into three age groups. Prizes will be awarded to the successful young anglers.

Nescopeck Hunting and Rifle Club: Bob reported that the new building at his club is progressing. The electrical and plumbing are nearly complete, and the club is currently working on the drywall and cabinets. Bob offered the PGC and PFC access to the building for meetings, training, and similar uses.

Norway Ridge: None.

Committee Reports: None.

Old Business: Dennis is continuing his work on enhancing our website to allow our members a convenient way to voice their support of their 2nd Amendment, hunting, and fishing concerns to their elected officials. The website will allow members to log into the website using their email

address and a password. Once the member is on the website, they will have access to form letters that they can print and sign or email to their Representatives.

New Business: None.

Good of the Federation: None

Treasurers Report: The balance in our account is \$1,409.93.

Agency Report: WCO Dale Ambrose attend the April meeting. WCO Ambrose informed us that although WCO Gerald Kapral was considering retirement, he instead received a promotion and is currently the Information and Education Supervisor (IES).

Dale gave us an update on the antlerless deer license applications, stating that most WMU's would stay the same or increase. The PA Game Commission's website gave the following information:

“The commissioners voted to increase tag allocations in eight WMUs, decrease them in one and hold the line in the remaining 13.

Units where more tags will be issued are WMU 1A, which will increase by 3,000 to 43,000; 1B, which will increase by 2,000 to 34,000; 2F, which will increase by 5,000 to 37,000; 2G, which will increase by 2,000 to 25,000; 3B, which will increase by 3,000 to 33,000; 3C, which will increase by 4,000 to 37,000; 3D, which will increase by 5,000 to 41,000; and 4C, which will increase by 2,000 to 31,000.”

WCO Ambrose also reported that a new DMA (Disease Management Area) was created. The PAGC website reports: DMA 7 was established in 2022 after a CWD-positive was detected in a captive facility in Lycoming County. DMA 7 covers approximately 460 square miles and covers portions of Lycoming, Northumberland, Montour, Columbia, and Sullivan counties.

A link to the Game Commissions website that explains Wildlife Related Diseases is attached: <https://www.pgc.pa.gov/Wildlife/Wildlife-RelatedDiseases/Pages/default.aspx>

Information for on-line and in-person hunter education courses can be found on the following link: <https://www.pgc.pa.gov/InformationResources/GetInvolved/GetStartedHunting/Pages/default.aspx>

Scroll to the bottom of the page and open. RESOURCES: Hunter Education and Classes and Workshops.

The PA Game Commission has social media sites that are available for hunters to stay informed on the activities related to hunting. Attached is a link for PA Game Commission's, “Call Of The Outdoors” podcast: <https://calloftheoutdoorspgc.com/> .

Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn by Bob/Phil. The meeting adjourned at 8:09 pm. Our next meeting will be held at 7:30pm on May 9th, 2022, at American Legion Post 609 in Hanover Township. The address is 328 Lee Park Ave, Wilkes-Barre, PA.