Minutes WSA

9-3-24

Present: 8 B Members

Salmon Fest (Sept 19-21) was discussed with volunteers for the different dates. Seems all dates will be covered but more volunteers are welcomed.

WSA brochures- 500 will be purchased

Request for funding Sheep Fence Repair on 97 A Chelan Hiway. Ron B will write a letter to Dept of F & W about our stance on Fence Repair assistance. Funding will be tabled.

Loon Killing in Okanogan county- \$500 will be pledged for arrest and convention.

Chelan Butte fire- discussion with Dept not closing season and doing other things to help habitat. Also if you want to Volunteer with Dept of F & W they have a form for you to sign.

This fall, satellite phones will not be needed for WDFW work parties. Please check in with Amy at WDFW Wenatchee office before going out to work.

Chelan Butte is very dusty and the old tin barn burnt down. More information coming on a work party.

At least one member will need a 1st aide card for WDFW work parties. A 1st aide class will be available Nov. 11-15 or Nov. 18-22.

Stemilt Partnership will be having an upcoming meeting. Ron will get back to the board with more information.

The board approved Keith Boyd as a board member.

7-16-24

Present: 8 B Members, one non-member

Kevin presented financial report. Will check with accountant for amount we can keep, do we need to have a financial review. Will also check for account that earns more interest and is easy to get.

Work parties report- Ron and Bill- went well with projects working smoothly, No non-B members helped. Dept of F & W has GPS for work parties to use

Discussion of Guzzler and Feeder locations, Herb Bill will bring the material they have for next meeting

Letter of Support of Pete on hold till talk with Keith

Kids Day is off due to lack of support from Dept F & W with unknown support from other organizations, a motion was made to participate in Salmon Fest- passed, Matt will see if Keith would like to chair

Matt said hats will be in tomorrow with vest being ordered too.

No updates on Banquet

Insurance coverage- Motion made to look into coverage needs & costpassed- Kevin will check. Cancel current policy on Kids Day will be discussed after review of data

Discussion about attracting more members. Ron will design business type card for B members

6-4-24

Present: 9 Members

Matt will check into ordering vest for the board members

Kevin present financial report. When insurance comes due, will shop around with the events we do will be checked into for coverage

Navarr Coulee work "party", Bill ordering plastic piping, will be Sat June 15, Kevin will put on website

Pete L putting in for Grant for work project and asked for letter of support. Keith will draft letter and send to board for comments

Kid Day, will look into doing Oct 5, race people and others will be contacted by Keith and Matt

Will not have a booth at the Back County Hunters Banquet in Ellensburg

Discussion of Banquet, looking at ways to get more volunteers, will proceed with some type of "Banquet", Ron will look into doing a survey with postage paid in Newsletter, looking for volunteers with a prize. Will continue to move forward with Banquet with contacts for needed people

Same Board Members and Officers will continue in current status

5-7-24

Present: 7 Members

Rock Island Fishing Day was successful Thanks to all volunteers

PUD letter sent off with Back Country Hunters also signed letter

Association continues to do well financially

Hat purchase of 150 was approved, Matt to purchase

Questions for Commissioner's meeting discussed

Hunting and Fishing Day Discussion- not same time as Leavenworth Salmon Day- Sept 19-21, Youth Hunting Week-end. Sept 28 is National hunt and fish day. Keith will start working on details for event.

Election- Ron will put in Newsletter- looking for volunteers, voting at General Meeting

Back Country Hunters meeting, voted to set up booth (\$100)

Navarr Coulee Spring brush clean out- June 1

4-2-24

Present: 8 members

Rock Island Kids Fishing Day April 20, Ron B will chair event, have with enough volunteers

PUD letter on Malaga purchase- Ron R will E-mail letter to Justin Erickson stating WSA hope for wildlife consideration

Chelan County spring project- Bill coordinating the process and buy supplies

Land Trust follow up meeting- Keith is working on meeting

Back Country Hunter will be having a meeting June 8 in Ellensburg-Keith/Ron R will coordinate booth set-up

3-5-24

Present: 8 members, Nick WDFW guest

Kevin present Financial Report- continued strength

March General Meeting- Garn Christensen & Dave Greybill to speak

Web Site- Kevin said up and running, encouraged everyone to view and get comments back to him

Hunting on CDT lands- discussion followed

PUD property Acquisition/letter- discussion followed, Ron will develop a letter to PUD, Ron and Kevin will also attend PUD meeting and speak for WSA

May General Meeting WDFW Commissioner John Lehmkuhl will be speaker, discussion followed

Kid Fishing Day- April 20,

NOTE- Minutes lost due to computer failure, will start back up after every meeting

10-18-22

Present: 11 members, Ann Welz

Ann Welz, Senior Project Manager with the Trust for Public Land gave a talk with discussion about the TPL's goals and projects to keep public lands available for public use by work with government agencies, private and public organizations. She asked for our support and encouraged the WSA to keep involved to inform and educate these groups about the needs of wildlife.

Herb T discussed the problems that building trails through wildlife habitat can create and how a Colorado hunting and angling group advertised a "bounty" on builders of unapproved trails, which led to useful dialogue between user groups. This seemed to help them from being built. The bounty was never used.

Kevin K gave financial info on Edward Jones acct, which was down slightly due to market fluctuation.

Kevin also discussed his on going work to obtain Covid relief monies forom our lost revenue due to not having our Banquets

Von P discussed our cameras (15-16) that are no longer being used. He suggested that we put them in the Banquet to make money

Von also discussed the new WA Dept of Fish and Wildlife proposal to limit domestic sheep and goats into wild sheep and goat units to prevent the spread of disease. After group discussion it was decided that Von would send Herb T a draft of the WSA stance and Herb would send it to the WDFW.

Kevin discuss his on-going work in formalizing the organizational chart and members of the WSA

Matt G discussed the Banquet this coming March and the dire need for lots of HELP NOW or a Banquet will be impossible to have. Most members present, stated they were available to help. Matt said he will re-contact past helpers and Herb will put "help wanted" in the Newsletter.

Bill S discussed the bird feeder situation (WSA & private) with no feeder structural problems. Their "fall/winter" schedule for filling was a brief discussion on the best time to fill, which will be left up to Bill to decide.

Kevin discussed his on-going work on WSA Donor list and the Mailing list, with input from the group.