

**SOUTH HAVEN STEELHEADERS
MEETING MINUTES
South Haven Moose Club**

Date: January 15, 2009

Time: 7:07 p.m.

Officers present: Antonson, Burr, Chapman, Crago, Foster, Keebler, Mills, Morris

Number of members present: 29

Number of guests present: 1

Call to Order: the meeting was called to order by Mills at 7:07pm.

I. Secretary's Report:

The report for November was read. *Motion by Strong, second by K. Keebler, to approve the report. Passed.*

II Treasurer's Report: Chapman reported on the months of November and December. *Motion by Antonson, second by K. Keebler, to approve the report. Passed.*

III. Correspondence: None

IV. Old Business:

A. Ice Fishing Tournament: Johnson provided a detailed report of plans and preparations for the tournament to be held on February 14th. The lake to be fished is yet to be determined. Steelheader members will be given preference on prizes to be awarded. The fees for the tournament are as follows: \$10 for members with a donation of fish, \$15 without; \$15 for non-members with a donation of fish, \$20 without. The fish fry will be provided at North Lake Inn beginning immediately following the close of fishing at noon.

B. Email List: Mills passed around a list for members to put themselves on so they will receive our emails.

C. River Tournament: Antonson reported that the tournament was cancelled due to flow ice. It is possible that we may reschedule it again for early April. More later.

D. Salmon in the Schools: Antonson reported that the fish have hatched and are growing. They are getting good attention and are well-cared for.

E. 2008 Banquet: Mills expressed thanks and members applauded the excellent job that Filbrandt and crew did in providing the banquet. Mills asked that anyone having suggestions for the 2009 banquet please see any board member for input.

F. River Docks: Burr provided a detailed report on the struggles going on with public access to the docks, which now involve attorneys, township officials and Kal-Haven Trail personnel. The owner appears to be attempting to change the rules of access. After much discussion, Filbrandt said that he will contact the person in charge of the trail to see about the Steelheaders providing input into the issue.

G. Two-Day Tournament: Keebler reported on preparations for the tournament on May 15-17. Participants can catch 15 fish and weigh 12; there will be observers for all Pro boats; we will still have an Under 24 class; entry fees are the same as 2008. The GL2S is on hold right now, but we

will participate in a tri-port challenge with St. Joseph and Michigan City with NASCAR-type scoring. The 333 will also be involved in our tournament.

V. New Business:

A. Regional Fisheries Workshop: a section of this will be held in Benton Harbor at the MSU Extension Center on Hillendale Road on February 21st. All persons wanting to go should see Chapman for registration; the Chapter will pay for the first 5 to register; cost is \$20. This meeting always provides excellent information about the fishery.

B. Election of Board Members: As reported in November, the terms of Chapman, Foster, and Mills are up. *Motion by Filbrandt, second by Super, to close the nominations. Passed.* The floor then elected the three by acclamation.

C. Moose Donation for Toys for Tots: After brief discussion, *motion by Antonson, second by Crago, to donate \$200. Passed.*

VI. Adjournment:

Motion by Super, second by Strong, to adjourn the meeting at 7:40pm. Passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Foster, Secretary