

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

Date: April 21, 2011

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Board Members present: Antonson, Chapman, Crago, Foster, Keebler, Mills, Morris, Strong

Number of members present: 45

Number of guests present: 2

Call to Order: the meeting was called to order by Keebler at 7:03pm.

I. Secretary's Report:

The secretary's report for March was read. After brief discussion, *motion by Mills, second by Juranek, to approve the report. Passed.*

II Treasurer's Report: Chapman provided a treasurer's report for March/April, 2011. *Motion by Antonson, second by Mills, to approve the report. Passed.*

III. Correspondence: None

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IV. Old Business:

- A. Membership Status:** Dave Sears has cancer of the kidneys; Lee Steinmiller and Larry Olson are at the current meeting and doing well; Tom Peterson was supposed to have surgery on his back today, but it has been postponed until next week; he still appears to have a very positive attitude.
- B. Jackets:** the chapter jackets are still available and Keebler is still taking orders. Hat are also available.
- C. Coloma Salmon in the Schools Program:** Kevin Oles reported that the chiller is in place and working, and the application to receive fish has been sent to the State. The fish will come next fall. Some equipment still needs to be purchased. Kevin said that the principal and other teachers are very positive towards the program. About 160 kids from sixth and seventh grades will have direct participation in the program, and many others will be aware of it but less involved.
- D. Net Pens:** the pens were put in the water about a week ago, and two days ago we received 44K+ salmon in the pens. They are at the Yacht Club, and we will need additional help in feeding them. Signup sheets are at the Yacht Club out building; Keebler provided all the details for getting involved.
- E. Two-Day Tournament:** Signup sheets were distributed for the various tasks at the tournament. Keebler said he will be meeting soon with the Miller Lite people for continued sponsorship.
- F. Lake Reefs:** Keebler said that he hoped that any planned reefs would be out beyond the 30-40 foot depths. Mills will be following up with his contacts after the two-day tournament is over. More later.
- G. EPRBS:** the latest news is that Dennis Eade, Executive Director of MSSFA, met with the Coast Guard and they said that there will not be any enforcement requiring EPRBS on non-commercial fishing boats out beyond three miles as was earlier rumored.

V. New Business:

- A. Membership:** Keebler reminded members that their memberships will expire on March 31st each year starting in 2012. Those who renew now and don't wait will still get a full year for their dues. Then all South Haven memberships will expire annually on March 31st.
- B. DNR Steelhead Plant:** The DNR planted 9,300 steelhead at the launch ramp in Black River Park about nine days ago.
- C. DNR Possession Limits:** Tiggelman reported on a fellow who recently was ticketed for being over the personal possession limit of fish. He had been storing them privately for use by his church, but someone reported him for being over the personal limit, which is two daily limits in storage plus one freshly caught daily limit at any one time. It was noted that we are frequently outside of this rule with the storage of our two-day catches each year. After significant discussion, no decision was made about how to address this issue as a Chapter.
- D. Hartford Kids Outing:** Keebler said that the Hartford teacher has been in touch about the annual outing, and had dates of May 19th, May 26th, or June 2nd. After brief discussion, May 19th was chosen. Five captains immediately volunteered their boats for the outing; one or two more will be contacted.
- E. Chapter Tournaments:** Olson announced that the first local tournament of the year is on May 8th and is open to the public. It is scheduled from 7am to 1pm; signup is at Pyle's. Discussion took place about having only Steelheader members be qualified to win the top prizes. The matter was referred to the local tournament committee for further consideration and decision.
- F. Two-Day Tournament Lake Trout Limit:** Keebler clarified that the limit is six lake trout per day per boat.

VI. Adjournment:

Motion by Mills, second by Antonson, to adjourn the meeting at 7:50pm. Passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Foster, Secretary