

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

Date: July 21, 2011

Time: 7:00 p.m.

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

Number of members present: 32

Number of guests present: 0

Call to Order: the meeting was called to order by Keebler at 7:00pm.

I. Secretary's Report:

The secretary's report for June was not available.

II Treasurer's Report: Chapman provided a treasurer's report for June/July, 2011. *Motion by Naumann, second by Morris, to approve the report. Passed.*

III. Correspondence: None
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IV. Old Business:

- A. Fish Collection for the Boil:** The fish collection for the boil is going great, and thanks were expressed to all who have donated. Last week, John and Linda Kuhn held a Breast Cancer Tournament and John explained the details of the planning and the production of the tournament. Jimmy Page has made sandwich board signs to be used at the Fish Boil. Special thanks were expressed to Bob's Processing for their work in prepping for the Boil.
- B. Fish Boil Planning:** Burr is providing a dozen or so yard signs for the Boil. Onions will be peeled at noon; we've cut back on the amount because of leftovers last year. It was proposed and approved by the members to raise the price to \$11 this year. The temporary food license goes in today; an inspector will be there at 3:00pm. Signup sheets were passed around for folks to volunteer for jobs at the Boil. There will be lots more advertising this year; fifty radio spots have been donated (worth about \$3K).
- C. MSSFA Newspaper:** Keebler noted that South Haven had lots of coverage in the last paper.
- D. New Treatment for Exotics:** Tom Stegman reported on a recent article on killing of exotic mussels; the new treatment does not affect other species. He also reported that some Asian Carp DNA has been found in the lake.
- E. South Haven Ladies Tournament:** there were 7 boats: 1st place to Sun Dog; 2nd place to Out of Line; 3rd place to Iffn. John Kuhn talked about doing a three-port tournament, including South Haven, Saugatuck and Holland. There would be no \$ prizes, but door prizes. All proceeds would go to the Susan Komen Foundation. He would like to get Steelheader backing and hold it the weekend after the 4th. Lots of discussion took place regarding tournament practices: cutting the hours fished, changing the per-boat cost, doing fewer tournaments (maybe one a month), looking at how Tackle Haven in St. Joe conducts their tournaments. Overall, folks felt that we need to simplify and shorten the tourneys.

F. Getting Equipment from the State: Keebler reported that we will be getting two pairs of the new style life vests for our use as prizes.

V. New Business:

A. Michigan License Plates: Brad Filbrandt looked into the idea of getting Steelheader license plates, similar to what the universities do, but the cost is prohibitive. It involves at least an initial \$10K up front. Others suggested we might look at specialty license plate brackets or a front plate. Foster will take the discussion to the next State meeting to see what they might look into, possibly using the new logo.

B. River Bend Boat Club: Steinmiller found a host of lures and other fishing equipment that had been thrown away at the RBBC. If someone knows who it belongs to, see Steinmiller. Also, thanks were expressed to Steinmiller for donating three tackle boxes to the Kids Tournament.

C. Meeting Invitation Cards: Foster showed members a small, card-stock "invitation" that one of the other clubs uses to entice folks to attend a meeting and maybe join the Chapter. He will try to make up a model for South Haven to use.

D. Deb French: Deb has told us that she will be bringing extra copies of the current MSSFA newspaper to the Fish Boil.

E. Fishing Wall Update: the proposed bike trail was tabled at the last council meeting, but the Steelheader wall may still be a go. Keebler will get with Burr.

F. Lake Trout: the State has issued guidelines, not mandates, on eating 22 inch or larger Lake Trout.

VI. Adjournment:

Motion by Juranek, second by Antonson, to adjourn the meeting. Passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Foster, Secretary