

PHEASANTS



FOREVER

Chapter - 585

Meeting Minutes

2/3/2010

1. **Call to Order** Board Chairman Steve Harnitz called the regular meeting of Pheasants Forever – Chapter 585 to order at **6:40 PM** at the Oshkosh Gun Club.

2. **Roll** *The following Board members were PRESENT:*

Steve Harnitz	Leo Kolaszewski	John Manion	Rachel Foster
Alex Hoel	Mark Lewis		

The following Board members were ABSENT:

Brian Wilke	Jim Ryf	Al Heidl	Jerry Mathusek
Ryan Seeley	Brian Trebiatowski		

Also present:

Scott Christie	Jack Doemel	Chris Heder
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3. **Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting**

Not yet received

4. **Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer John Manion reported a balance in checking of 9,850.14

M/S/X- No Quorum - Accept the Treasurer's Report as written.

5. **Correspondence**

None

6. **Committee Reports**

a) **Habitat** – No report

b) **Land Acquisition** – Discussed beginning the process of donating our property in the Town of Rosendale to the DNR.

c) **Banquet** – Rachel has received a pheasant feather carving from Tom Tyers. She will see if he wants to donate further to receive a sponsorship. Discussed some possible

advertising for both the banquet and the 10-Gun raffle. Mark will investigate further.

d) **Fundraising**

Monthly Raffles – Gun of the Month – We have 9 of our 10 guns on display at local businesses. Ticket sales have been poor. We have about 200 email addresses for our online campaign. Mark to upgrade our website software to accommodate raffles. This will be about \$30/month. All send email lists to Mark for raffle sale distribution.

e) **Food plots** – Rachel reports that there are 9 bags of soy beans missing from the warehouse. If anyone knows the whereabouts, please let all know.

f) **LEP**– Alex reports he has a few teachers lined up and is looking toward a spring seminar.

g) **Newsletter** – No report

7. Old Business

a) **Youth Hunt**– The birds reserved with Scott Eckstein will not be mature until end of September. Rachel notes we can still receive 200 FREE birds through her contact.

b) **National Pheasant Fest** – The event is in Des Moines this year. At present no directors are committed to attending.

8. New Business

a) **2010 Burns**– Scott reports he has 119 acres signed up so far. Alex will perform some annual maintenance on the Gator.

b) **Calendar Raffle** – Jack has been working with Wisconsin Waterfowl Assc on a 2011 calendar raffle. They are having a meeting tomorrow and Leo, Jack, Alex and Rachel will attend to discuss details. Each group will have 4500 calendars to sell. If we sell 4000 our net will be in the area of \$43,000. Breakeven point is about 2400 calendars. Total cost of prizes is about \$74,000.

c) **Habitat Intern** – Tom Davies called and once again, there is a possible position for a habitat intern as we have sponsored in the past. The position is under the direction of the NRCS and is also funded through Winnebago Land & Water Conservation Committee.
M/S/C – Fund up to a maximum of \$4,000 for this position. Seek up to \$2,000 in matching funds to offset but if none, we sponsor the entire \$4,000. There were 5 votes in favor of this at the meeting and none opposed. The additional votes were received in the subsequent days via email in this continued motion. Jack will seek co-sponsorship from WCC.

9. Other Business

a) **Conservationist of the Year Award** – Leo will form a committee to pick the winner for this year.

M/S/C – The Conservationist of the Year cannot be a current board member. There were 5 votes in favor of this at the meeting and none opposed. The additional votes were

received in the subsequent days via email in this continued motion.

10. Next Meeting

Wednesday March 3, 2010 6:30PM Oshkosh Gun Club

11. Adjourn

M/S/C – Adjourn – **8:50 +/-**

