

Massachusetts Bass Federation Directors Meeting April 20, 2019

Meeting called to order at: 7:40 pm

Officers in Attendance:

- Present: President, Vice President, Youth Director, Treasurer, Secretary, Environmental Director
- Missing –

Attendance:

- All State Bass, Bass Addicts, Bass Tactics, Boston Bass, Forge Pond Bassmasters, Good Spirit Bassmasters, Green Water Wizards, North East Bass Anglers, South Shore Bassmasters, Tri-Valley Bassmasters, Wildside Bass Anglers, Yankee Bassmasters, Pioneer Valley Bass

Secretary Report:

- Presented by Secretary Erik Swanson
 - March Minutes were presented
 - Motion to accept March Minutes as presented made by Wildside, seconded by Green Water
 - Motion passed unanimously

Treasurer Report:

- Presented by Treasurer Bob Rivet
 - Bob handed out and reviewed the March bank statement
 - Bob collected any outstanding bills
 - Motion to accept Bob's report & pay any unpaid bills made by Good Spirit, seconded by Forge Pond
 - Motion passed unanimously

Committee Reports:

- N/A

Awards Banquet Report:

- Awards banquet was a success. Everyone had a great time and the food was great again
- Thanks to Joe McKinnon for all of his hard work putting together a great night

Youth Report:

- Presented by Youth Director Seth McNary
 - There are 38 youth anglers registered so far
 - 26 High School
 - 12 Junior

- 4/28 is the Meet & Greet for all Youth anglers from 12-2 at the Riverside Rod & Gun Club. Seth is still looking for a guest speaker if anyone would like to volunteer
- Youth tournaments:
 - 5/11 – Long Pond, Freetown – all set for boat captains
 - 6/8 – Quabog - 18 captains committed – **need a few more**
 - 6/22 - TOC- Nashua River, Groton – all set for boat captains

Scholarship Report:

- Presented by Scholarship Director Dave McNary
 - One application has been submitted so far
 - 6/1/19 is the cutoff for applications

Conservation Report:

- Presented by Conservation Director Tim Germain
- NH- the work at the public ramp @ Newfound Lake has been completed
- Fizzing info:
 - The NH Fish & Game **do not** want you to fizz your fish
 - Based on their review of data, they do not encourage fizzing
 - They claim there is the potential for not only internal damage but also damage to brain & heart due to gas bubbles in the blood from fizzing

Tournament Report:

- Presented by Tournament Director Dave McNary
- Saturday, 4/20 is the 1st team trail tournament
 - There are 23 boats signed up
 - The off-limits started Sunday, 4/20 @ 11:59 pm
 - The water at Watuppa has been dropped to below summer level so be careful
 - Dave will send out an email explain the process of how things are going to work
 - The weather is suppose to be windy and raining so Dave & Bob Rivet have asked that the person who is parking the truck to make sure they have their life jackets with them so they can have it on when they climb into the boat because the water is low and it will be rough

Old Business:

- Joe has received the permit for TI
- The Knights of Columbus is booked and all set as well
- The Chamber of Commerce for Ticonderoga is giving us \$1500

- Anglers will need a NY & VT license in order to fish the tournament
- The anglers from 2018 that went to the Nationals will receive a Lowrance package

New Business:

- Joe requested that we nominate locations for the 2019 Fish-off site at this meeting so that the Directors can take this list to clubs, discuss and we will narrow it down to 3 locations at the May meeting and then vote in June
 - Thousand Islands
 - Hinsdale
 - Conn River- Hartford
 - Bomaseen
 - Lake George
 - Candlewood
 - Sacandaga
 - Champlain North
 - Hudson River

Raffle Results:

- N/A

Meeting Reminders for Next Month:

- **Next meeting 5/21/2019 @ 7:30pm**

Motion to adjourn made by Green Water, seconded by All State

Meeting adjourned at: 8:39 pm

Minutes taken on 4/20/19 and submitted on 4/29/19 by Erik Swanson, Secretary