Conservation Partners of America February 12th, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Members present: Joe Luskey, Kip & Lindsey Trebesch, Dave Sell, Mike Kramer, Bob Reid, Jenny, Mike Muhling, Scott and Wendy Scheidt

Mike Muhling, US Fish and Wildlife Services talked to us about upcoming projects in the area. Northside of Washington Lake 75 acres Ag land mostly upland.

120 habitat restoring has been formed for last 3 years.

Old unit south 30 restorable wetlands, cleaning and restoring 2 straight Krueger

Mike Krueger place – prairie on side of house more flowers; On WPA signs 15 year agreement if sold to keep as is if US Fish put money into it.

Wet 2 new units PF Outdoor Heritage Funds, Red Duck Stamp money used for uplands restoration. 10 miles from Dub 800+ acres being worked on.

Meeting minutes: Motion by Kip and 2nd by Jenny to approve the meeting minutes. Approved all

Discussion was brought up about the increase in membership dues. Ok to increase membership but think that Spouse and Pinfeather should stay the same. Gaylord chapter will increase \$5 this year, Membership at \$50. They will increase next year to match everyone else.

Dave sent Scharpe an email and he hasn't heard anything back yet on GI Status.

Kip brought up the following for GI:

100 wood duck houses donated – If all chapters would like to get together and build. April 8th they will be doing an Easter Hunt at 9am could include wood duck house building at 10a-1 lunch provided (Hotdogs/Hamburgers).

Internet is available now at the Clubhouse thru Extratime and they own the equipment. Looking at adding Security Cameras: Parking lot, Side and back of property. \$1100 expense. Scott Scheidt made the motion to have CPA pay for the security cameras, 2nd by Jenny.

Looking at purchasing land from Neighbor, with this CPA could potentially bring back the CPA Chuckar Challenge and Fun in the Field Day.

Jenny talked about the upcoming McLeod Fish and Wildlife Banquet. As of this evening they are sold out. They gained 18 new sponsors.

Gaylord is working on getting tickets printed for their banquet in April.

Green Isle has a shipping container. Everything that CPA has in the Storage unit in Gaylord will be moved to the Storage container come spring.

Dave Sell will contact Anne Krueger to see about the project once we hear back from Mike Muhling

Chris Hansen was present from Time on the Water organization. They try to focus on heroes including Law enforcement, Healthcare, and Military. 95% of the funds goes into the program, 5% goes towards Marketing. They focus on those in Minnesota. Each chapter will bring to their chapters and we will table now what we will donate. Chris would be willing to attend each chapter banquet and present this to those attending.

Reminder to get all taxes for 2022 turned into Scharpe by the end of April.

Next meeting: Sunday March 12th at 6pm Motion to adjourn by Kip and 2nd by Mike Kramer