

Pittsburg Anglers Association

Meeting Minutes (Unapproved)

January 20, 2017

Location: Allure Restaurant, Marlborough, MA

Present: Caron, Howe, Degray, Bernhardt

Meeting called to order by Howe at 6:30 PM

Quorum was met (at least 3 members of the Board of Directors were present).

1. **Dissolution of Pittsburg Anglers Association, LLC.** In order to gain non-profit status, the LLC status of the association will have to be dissolved. Dissolution of the LLC has a filing fee of \$35 with the state of NH. Caron made a motion to dissolve the LLC, seconded by Bernhardt. Passed with unanimous vote.
2. **Formation of Pittsburg Anglers Association, Inc.** In order to attain non-profit status, the associations needs to apply for non-profit corporation status. Filing this paperwork with the state of NH will cost \$25. Caron made a motion that the Pittsburg Anglers Association apply for non-profit corporation status, seconded by Bernhardt. Passed with unanimous vote.
3. **Articles of Agreement of New Hampshire non-profit corporation.** The proposed Articles of Agreement were circulated to the Board members and agreed upon. Caron made a motion to accept the proposed articles, seconded by Howe. Passed unanimously. Requisite signatures of the board members were obtained (minus DePontbriand, who was not present. His signature will be obtained later).
4. **Bylaws for Pittsburg Anglers Association.** Distributed and reviewed by members of the Board of Directors. Bernhardt made a motion to accept the proposed bylaws, seconded by Howe. Passed unanimously.
5. **Conflict of Interest Policy.** Distributed and reviewed by members of the Board of Directors. Caron made a motion to accept the Conflict of Interest Policy, seconded by Degray. Passed unanimously.
6. **Attain new non-profit EIN (Employer Identification Number) for the Pittsburg Anglers Association.** Motion made by Bernhardt to obtain a new EIN, seconded by Howe. Passed unanimously.

Other Items

Fundraising

Bernhardt proposed the idea of an Ice Out Contest (50/50 contest), similar to the one held annually at Joe's Pond in Vermont. This contest has gone viral, due to social media, and now raises a tremendous amount of money and gets

a lot of participation. The same could be done for the P.A.A. and help us raise a lot of money for stocking. The contest could be held on the trout pond at Lopstick Lodge, with a webcam recording the proceedings. We decided to look in to it for next year.

Merchandising

Caron has been looking in to hats for the association, to sell and spread the word of our mission. Typical trucker hats are under \$10 each, and with our logo embroidered on, could cost us around the \$10 - \$12 mark. Caron will explore more options, and the Board of Directors agreed that Squeegee Printers in Canaan, VT could be a good local option in this. Shirts will also be explored for next year.

Next Meeting: Late March / early April to coordinate stocking day plan.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:50 PM. Motioned by Bernhardt, seconded by Caron.