

**Williamson Conservation and Sporting Club**  
**6786 Pound Road**  
**Williamson, NY 14589**  
**Meeting Minutes for Tuesday August 1st, 2023**

**Call to Order**

Vice President Jim Sweet called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM immediately following the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Members in attendance:** Don Smith, Horst Merkel, Dave Waddell, Ed Summers (new member), Joe Amorese (new member), Tim Montondo, Don Davis, Ron Nearing, Luis Rivera, Rick Benton, Josh Jacobs, Eric Giebner, Steve Benedict, Jeff Kunzer, Jim Sweet, John Jenkins and Bill Jolliff.

**Officers Reports**

- Minutes for the June 6th, 2023 meeting were read and approved. There was no meeting in July.
- Club Treasurer Jeff Kunzer gave his report for June and July. His report was approved.
- Jeff Kunzer reported there were 549 paid members as of July 31, 2023.

**Old Business:**

- The removal of hazardous ash trees is progressing with more put on the ground with the help of the bucket truck. Suitable, poison ivy free logs are stacked near the stone pile back by the barn if anyone is interested in using them. Contact Jeff Kunzer for details and the key to open the gate.
- The Wayne County Federation of Sportsman's Clubs Kid's Fishing Derby ended on July 28<sup>th</sup> and it went quite well.
- The Top Shot Contest was held on Saturday June 10<sup>th</sup> and was won by Tim Montondo. Congratulations to the Champion who also won the Top Shot prize of \$3.00.

**New Business**

- Jeff Kunzer will be taking a well deserved vacation at the end of the month. Bob Huffman will stay an extra hour or two on Thursday August 31<sup>st</sup> to fill in.
- The carrier for the club's liability insurance has sent notice that it will not renew our policy after it expires on October 31<sup>st</sup>. A search for a new carrier is needed.
- Rumored that the state will require a phone call to the State Police to approve ammo sales in NYS beginning September 1<sup>st</sup>.
- A work party may be scheduled to do some general cleanup in all areas that require mowing.
- The clubs web site is back up and running.

**SCOPE Report by Don Smith**

- Most of the court cases challenging New York States new gun laws are still in limbo.
- Don recommended club members, and all gun owners, write Letters to the Editor of *The Wayne County Times* and *The Finger Lakes Times*. We need to express our viewpoint.
- The Wayne County Chapter of SCOPE meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at the American Legion in Marion at 7:00 PM. All are encouraged to attend.

**Adjournment**

Motion made to adjourn at 7:40 PM. Motion carried.

**Submitted by Bill Jolliff, Secretary**