

Community Center, Sea Isle City, NJ

9:03 call to order:

Welcome, flag salute & remain standing for moment of silence for our departed members

Roll call of ASAC officers and clubs: Jane Jefferys Secretary, 16 clubs present (see attached) Carl Hartmann resigned from the Sponsorship Committee 3/15/19.

9:10 Speaker Tim Dillingham, Executive Director of American Littoral Society (since 2003)

Most angler think of tagging program when talking ALS, but they also fight/work for restoration of Barnegat and Jamaica Bays, marine education programs, etc. Most recently fighting/pushing for public access legislation (S.1074/A4221) thru Trenton that should be of significant concern to land based anglers. Especially groups such as ours. Fishermen should go to local meetings! (did not mention 24 hr. access).

9:40 Reading of previous year(s) minutes: Jane Jefferys Secretary, no corrections

motion Lou Ostrander , 2nd Kevin Greaves, vote 16-0 approved

9:45 Treasurers report: Arlene Perkowski See attached Motion by Rich Hedenberg, 2nd by Jim Jefferys, Approved 16-0

9:50 2018 Tournament schedule: Greg O'Connell

tournament schedule to be considered finalized upon conclusion of today's mtg (see attached) Please note change in Surf n'Land contact
HOFNOD dates could fluctuate, check web site & fb page as events get closer
RH Rods date moved back 1 week
LBIFC and WSFC swapped dates
American Angler to stay on LBI for 2019
NJBBA moving from Wildwood to Seaside.
Lynda needs judges for Shaner tournament in Sept., one truck from each of the larger clubs would be nice.

Committee reports:

Membership – Jane Jefferys, Barnegat Light Heavers club had dissolved.

10:03 2019 HOFNOD schedule – Jim Jefferys dates on calendar, LBI and WSFC donated rigs, Atlantic City 6/12/19 boardwalk crossing could be a problem, Margate possibly 7/13/19, LBIFC 8/11/19. Rig tying at the Jefferys home 4/13/19, 9:30am

2019 Golf Outing – Jim Jefferys 4/6/19 Avalon Country Club, \$120. Need flyer put on website.

10:10 March 2, 2019 Banquet – Lynda Greaves. We had increased attendance, 140, new venue, layout not great, bar prices high, ASAC awards given out (see attached award winners)

10:18 Scholarship – Not present Bob & Jean Moore, Margie Skelly gave report
0 @ 2019 submission thus far, taking applications until May 1, committee to review apps & pick winner

10:19 UMAPA/OBX – Jim Jefferys nothing new

10:20 Beach Access. Greg O'Connell, Brigantine permit to be free to veterans, Holgate to be closed 3/15 to 9/15/19

10:29 Regulatory – Greg O'Connell, Fluke to be similar to 2018, not finalized yet, New regs for Striped Bass coming in 2020. Please encourage all anglers to register with the NJ Saltwater Registry, No other changes at this time

10:32 Website and Social Media: Greg O'Connell Website is our main source for information, but Facebook is instantaneous. If a club has a fundraiser or event, please let us post it. Monthly giveaway working to boost traffic and likes to Facebook page.

10:40 ASAC Sponsors Committee – Rich Hedenberg and Carl Hartmann who resigned 3/15/19

No Bags for 2019, We will distribute sponsor stuff at Host Club Meeting. Less giveaways this year, clubs must do on their own.

ASAC Gear- contact Rich Hedenberg

11:00- Lunch Break to 11:38

50/50 winner \$85.00 Lou Ostrander

11:50 voting items:

Questions de Taille club (provincial in 2018, vote in as full member club) Approved 16-0

12:00 by law changes – 5 items total

1. Senior assisted casting provision: Merchantville Fishing Club – keep same as 2017 on another 1yr trial basis Approved 16-0
2. Keep the minimum size for a scoring bluefish @ 11", same as 2017, You Should Have Been Here Yesterday Club, on another 1yr trial basis Approved 16-0
3. Make Skate and Rays a 1-point trash fish of 2019 on a 1-year trial basis, submitted by Surf n'Land, defeated 1-15.
4. Change ASAC constitution to reflect our new name: Association of Surf Angling Clubs of New Jersey, Inc. submitted by DVSA and MFC, motion by Lou Ostrander, 2nded by Bob Rinier, approved 16-0
5. Remove casting rules from the bylaws but save on website for history and to possibly revisit down the road, submitted by DVSA/MFC, approved 16/0

President comments: Greg O'Connell thank board, thank member clubs for another year as president.

Drop Tournament forms due 4/15,

Lou Ostrander: Margaret Mace School in North Wildwood wants a surf fishing class taught, 2 days a week, 30 students, 7-8 grade to start in the Fall of 2019. He wants help.

Lou Ostrander commented on kids fishing next to or in the same position in a tournament, will bring up at host club meeting.

High School Fishing teams, ASAC to cover the entry fees of these teams in our tournaments.

New laws in NJ, no smoking on the beach.

2019 elections: run by Vice President

Nominations for President, Vice President, Assistant Vice President (2), Secretary, Treasurer: Current slate of officers re-nominated and elected 16-0

Nomination for trustee position Kevin Greaves nominated and elected 16-0

Thanks for attending. see everyone at 2019 events.