

President: Tom Mailleux
Vice President: Chuck Casella
Treasurer: Bob Young
Secretary: Nancy Balch

**LEAGUE OF ESSEX COUNTY SPORTSMAN'S CLUBS
MEETING, JUNE 15, 2006**

***NEXT LEAGUE MEETING IS THURSDAY
SEPTEMBER 21, 2006 DANVERS FISH & GAME 07:30 PM***

MEETING MINUTES

Roll Call: Meeting Date 6/15/06 Meeting came to order at 19:41

In attendance representatives from:	Club meeting night:
Andover Sportsmen's Club1.....	Monthly, Second Thursday
Association of Ipswich Sportsmen.....2.....	N/A
Cape Ann Sportsmen's Club0.....	Monthly, Second Wednesday
Danvers Fish & Game Club1.....	Monthly, Second Thursday
Essex County Sportsmen's Association.....1.....	Monthly, First Wednesday
Georgetown Fish & Game Club.....0.....	
Hamilton/Wenham Rod & Gun Club.....1.....	Monthly, Third Tuesday
Haverhill Hound, Rod & Gun Club0.....	Monthly, First Monday, 07:30 PM
Haverhill Ridge Runners Fish & Game Club0.....	Monthly, Second Sunday, 10:00 AM X Mother's Day
Ipswich Fish & Game Club.....0.....	
Lawrence Rod & Gun Club1.....	Monthly, First Monday
Lynn Fish & Game Protective Association.....1.....	Monthly, Second Wednesday
Plum Island Surfcasters Club.....1.....	Monthly, Third Tuesday

8 of 13 Present: Quorum Established

Visitor: None

Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife: www.masswildlife.org
G.O.A.L www.goal.org
Massachusetts Sportsmen's Council www.masportsmen.org
G.O.A.L "MESSAGE"
N.E.F. Publishing Corp. "THE FISHERMAN"
US Sportsmen's Alliance www.ussportsmen.org
Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Alliance 1-877-770-TRCA www.trca.org
Massachusetts Wildlife Federation www.masswildfed.org
US Sportsmen's Alliance www.ussportsmen.org
National Shooting Sports Foundation www.nssf.org

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League of Essex County Sportsmen's Clubs web sight at [http:// lecs.surfcaster.com](http://lecs.surfcaster.com)

Secretary's Report: The minutes were approved as recorded on the web site.

Treasurers Report: Treasurer report read and approved as read.

Only 8 of 13 clubs have paid 2006 dues. Bob Y will follow up with the groups that have not paid (Andover Sportsmen, Assn Ipswich Sportsmen, Cape Anne Sportsmen, Essex County Sportsmen and Ipswich Fish & Game)

CD's are expiring as early as July and then into the fall. We could get a better interest rate at another bank.

Motion made by Larry M. to have Bob move the 18K to a higher rate when the CD expires and the other CD's when they mature and to also combine the 2 savings accounts into one (1) account. Motion was seconded and passed.

Communications: None discussed.

Mass Council: Not attended by any Essex League member. Discussion also identified the need for the Council to update their web site.

Gerry W discussed why the Council should be pursuing the state so out of state kids can get a hunting license.

Motion made by Gerry W to take kid's out of state hunting information to the Mass Council. Motion passed. Tom M is to write the letter and get it to the Council in September.

Banquet Committee: Proposed dates are 3/31/07 or 4/7/07. Tom M will be contacting Hilltop to reserve the date.

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Legislation: Letter was written to oppose the Ocean Management bill, S2308.

Fisheries: Chuck talked about the S2308 Ocean bill and how it needed to get killed in this legislative session.

Motion made by Chuck to support the MassMarine Fisheries Commission letter opposing the S2308 bill. Seconded and passed. Dave H had already sent in a club letter. New effort would be to sign onto a group letter.

Topsfield Fair: Tom Walsh will bring a designer of industrial trade show booths into the sportsmen's building in order to hear her suggestions regarding possible improvements we can make in the various booths. Depending on her comments a meeting will be held with all the participating entities in order to formulate an action plan for 2006.

Old Business: Discussion on Youth Pheasant Hunt – list of clubs involved is on the MassWildlife website.

New Business:

1. Discussion about Rick Barton running for Congress. The clubs should invite him to a monthly meeting in the fall since the district he is running in covers most of Essex County. Web site is www.rickbarton.us

Motion made by Dave H. to renew GOAL membership at \$500. Motion was seconded and passed.

2. Discussion of web site updates – Chuck reported the changes made to date on the web site.

Motion made by Chuck to donate \$150 to the parties that support the web site (Bonnie and Sabrina Radke). Motion amended to donate \$200. Seconded and passed.

Good of the Order

Discussion about an Essex League mission statement and bylaws. Dave H and Bob Y will look in their records for both.

Friends of the NRA will have a dinner at the Hilltop in September.

LECS needs updated letterhead and mailing envelopes. Dave H will be handling this action item over the summer.

In attendance:

Chuck Casella	Plum Island
Larry McBeth	HWR&G
John Dyer	Lawrence R&G
Bill Boier	Assoc Isp Sportsmen
Bill Marr	Assoc Isp Sportsmen
Tom Mailloux	Lynn Fish & Game
Bob Young	Danvers F&G
Gerry Woodmansee	Andover Sportsmen
David Harbinson	Essex County Sportsmen