



BRADFORD FISH & GAME CLUB, INC

Bradford, New Hampshire 03221

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ARTICLE I

Name:

The name of this organization shall be the Bradford Fish & Game Club, Inc.

ARTICLE II

Object:

Bradford Fish & Game Club, Inc. was founded as a social, philanthropic and educational organization, with the object of encouraging the development of those characteristics of ethics, honesty, good fellowship, self-discipline, team play and self-reliance which are the essentials of good sportsmanship and the foundation of true patriotism.

ARTICLE III

Membership:

- A) There shall be two (2) classes of membership in the Bradford Fish & Game Club: Active and Associate.
- B) Active members consist of an individual or family membership. An Associate member will be any association in good standing with the community and the dues to be determined by the executive committee.
- C) Only Active members shall have voting rights and full club privileges, except as noted in paragraph "E" of this article, and must attend at least five (5) monthly meetings in a calendar year. Active members must attend five (5) consecutive meetings before being issued a key to the club-house. Associate members shall not have voting rights and may exercise club privileges only in the company of an Active member, or by vote of the Executive Committee.
- D) New members shall only be conferred at a regular monthly meeting. Exceptions to this provision may be granted by vote of the Executive Committee.
- E) At the annual meeting of each calendar year ALL membership status shall be reviewed by the Executive Committee. Those Active members found not to have met the attendance requirements of Active membership shall lose their club-house privileges and shall not regain them until the attendance requirements is met. Exceptions to this provision may be granted by the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE IV

Dues:

- A) The member's annual dues to the club shall be as determined by vote of the membership, payable not later than February 1, of each year.
- B) No member of the club in arrears shall be eligible to vote or to enjoy any other of the privileges or benefits offered by the club.

ARTICLE V

Meetings:

- A) The annual meeting of the club shall be held in January of each year. If the annual meeting shall not take place at the time fixed it shall be held within a reasonable time thereafter, and the officers shall hold over until their successors shall have been elected.
- B) The regular business meeting of the club for the transaction of ordinary business shall be held on the first Monday of each month.
- C) A special meeting of the club may be held at any time upon the call of the President or upon the call of the Executive Committee, or upon demand in writing, stating the object of the proposed meeting, and signed by not less the 5 members entitled to vote. Notice of the time, place and object of any special meeting shall be given all officers and members in good standing in writing by United States mail not less than seven days prior to the date fixed by the Executive Committee.
- D) Seven members of the club entitled to vote shall constitute a quorum at any meeting.

ARTICLE VI

Officers:

- A) The officers of this club shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and three Directors who, acting together shall constitute the Executive Committee. They shall be elected by a majority vote by ballot of members in good standing present at the annual meeting of the club. They shall hold office for one year or until their successors are elected. (The office of the Secretary and Treasurer may be combined).
- B) The Executive Committee shall have general supervision and control of all the activities of the club.
- C) Meetings of the Executive Committee shall be held regularly at such time and place as the Committee may determine. Special meetings may be held at any time on the call of the President or on demand, in writing to the Secretary, by three members of the Committee.
- D) Four members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum.
- E) Resignation of any officer may be accepted by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Executive Committee.
- F) A vacancy in the Executive Committee may be filled by a majority vote of the eligible membership of the club.
- G) Only Active members may be elected or remain as officers.

ARTICLE VII

Duties of Officers:

- A) The President: shall preside at all meetings of the club and of the Executive Committee. He shall be a member ex-officio of all regular and special committees, and shall perform all such other duties as usually pertain to his office.
- B) The Vice President: shall perform the duties of the President in his absence or at his request.
- C) The Secretary: shall conduct all official correspondence and shall notify the members of the Executive Committee of all meetings, as required in Article V. He shall keep a true record of all meetings of the Executive Committee and of the club and have custody of the books and papers of the club, except the Treasurer's books of account.

- D) The Treasurer: shall have charge of all funds of the club and place the same in such bank or banks as may be approved by the Executive Committee. Such money shall only be withdrawn by check signed by the Treasurer and for the payment of such bills as have been approved by the general membership. The Treasurer shall keep an accurate account of all his transactions and render a detailed report with vouchers at regular monthly meetings and any meeting of the Executive Committee when requested and an annual report to the organization at its annual meeting. He shall be responsible for the collection of all fees and dues.
- E) The Directors: shall assist the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer in the performance of their duties.

ARTICLE VIII

Suspension or Expulsion:

- A) Charges against any officer or member may be preferred by any member in good standings. They shall be in writing clearly stating the facts relied upon and accompanied by all affidavits or exhibits which are to be used in their support. Such charges shall be filed with the Secretary, who will immediately notify the President. The President will call a meeting of the Executive Committee to hear the charges. The Secretary will give at least fifteen days notice of the meeting to each member of the Executive Committee and to the accuser and to the accused, which notice shall be in writing and will include a true copy of the charges and of the supporting affidavits and exhibits.
- B) Any member may be suspended or expelled from the club for any cause deemed sufficient by the Executive Committee present at any regular or special meeting. No vote on suspension or expulsion may be taken unless at least fifteen days notice in writing shall have been given to the members of the charges preferred and of the time and place of the meeting of the Executive Committee at which such charges will be accorded a full hearing.
- C) Any officer may be removed by a two-thirds vote of the members in good standings present at any meeting called for this purpose. No vote on suspension or removal may be taken unless at least fifteen days notice in writing shall have been given to the officer of the reason for his removal and of the time and place of the special meeting at which such ballot on his removal is to be taken. At such special meeting the officer shall be given a full hearing.
- D) Any member suspended or expelled by the Executive Committee may appeal to the full membership of the club. Such appeal shall be made in writing to the Secretary who will notify the President. The President will call a special meeting of the club for the purpose of acting on the appeal. The Secretary shall give at least fifteen days notice in writing to all members of the club in good standings stating the date, time, place and reason for such special meeting. At the meeting of the full club the Secretary will read the original charges, the supporting affidavits, and will read or display the accompanying exhibits, and will read the minutes of the special meeting of the Executive Committee at which the charges were heard and action taken. A full hearing will be given to the accuser and accused. A vote will be taken by written ballot of the members in good standings present and two-thirds vote shall be required to reverse the action of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE IX

Amendments:

Any proposed amendments to these by-laws may be introduced by any member of the club at any regular meeting or special meeting called for the purpose. The amendments must be acted upon by the club membership at a regular meeting or special meeting called for the purpose provided that thirty days notice of the meeting has been given. A two-thirds vote of the members present will be necessary to pass or reject them.

President's Signature _____ Date _____

Secretary's Signature _____ Date _____