Mosinee Sportsmen's Alliance Incorporated

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<u>Name:</u> This organization shall be known as the Mosinee Sportsmen's Alliance Incorporated.

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Article 2

Purpose: The purpose(s) of this organization shall be:

<u>Section 1:</u> To protect and preserve sportsmen's freedom and heritage to hunt, fish, and enjoy outdoor activities in the Mosinee, WI area and the greater State of Wisconsin.

<u>Section 2:</u> To support veterans, disabled sportsmen, local organizations and schools, and disabled sportsmen in their development of outdoor sports and related activities.

<u>Section 3:</u> To inspire the public to assist in the quest of the sportsmen to provide activities for future generations.

<u>Section 4:</u> To provide training and mentorship to community members about gun safety, archery safety, and participation in gun & archery hunting and ethical trapping practices.

<u>Section 5:</u> To work with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to protect our environment and activities, such as tissue sampling, nest box construction/placement, and wildlife surveying.

Article 3

Membership:

<u>Section 1:</u> Membership criteria shall be established by the Board of Directors and approved by the membership at the annual meeting.

<u>Section 2:</u> Membership is open to all, regardless of color, creed, sex, or age. <u>Section 3:</u> Family Membership is required annually. Family membership includes the Head (s) of Household and Dependents. The membership year is February 1 - January 31st of the following year.

<u>Section 4:</u> Family Membership dues will be reviewed or revised if necessary, at the Annual Meeting.

<u>Section 5:</u> A minimum of 2 Directors have the approval to waive a membership fee for special circumstances, such as education, single-day, and competitive events.

<u>Section 6:</u> Family membership dues are waived if either Head of household is sixty (60) years of age (by January 1 of that year).

<u>Section 7:</u> No membership can be transferred to another person(s) without approval from the Board of Directors.

<u>Section 8:</u> Membership will be terminated when annual dues are not paid, when a member refuses to follow the bylaws of the Alliance, when a member causes financial property loss, or becomes a burden to the Alliance.

Article 4

Governing Body:

Section 1: The officers of the organization shall consist of:

President

Vice President

Secretary

Treasurer

<u>Section 2:</u> Board of Directors: The Board of Directors shall be composed of the elected nine (9) Board Members.

Section 3: Election and Term of Service:

<u>**Part A**</u>: Board Members shall be elected based on a majority vote of the members.

<u>**Part B:**</u> Board members shall be elected for three (3) year terms, and director terms will be staggered on a 3-year cycle per 3 members.

<u>Part C:</u> Officers and Board Member term of service shall commence on the date of the Annual Meeting.

<u>**Part D:**</u> The Board of Directors will appoint the officers at the Annual Meeting.

<u>Part E:</u> Officers and Board Members shall be able to succeed themself more than once.

Part F: Three (3) Directors will be elected each year and will be nominated from the floor of the General Members at the Annual Meeting. Part G: Officers may be removed by the Board of Directors when the best interest of the Alliance is not being met. Said removal shall be by a majority vote of the Board of Directors. Such a vote may be taken at a special meeting of the Board of Directors or the next general membership meeting.

<u>Section 4:</u> Vacancies: Should the President leave office before completing the term, the Vice President elect shall immediately assume the presidency. When a vacancy occurs in any office other than the President, the vacancy shall be filled by appointment of the Board of Directors.

Article 5

Duties of the Officers and Board Members:

Section 1: Duties of the Officers:

<u>**President:**</u> The President shall preside at all Mosinee's Sportsmen's Alliance meetings and appoint committees.

Vice President: The Vice President shall preside in the absence of the President.

<u>Treasurer:</u> The Treasurer shall be responsible for all Mosinee Sportsmen's Alliance funds, budget preparation, and submit records for audit on request. File all necessary financial forms with the state and federal governments and keep the Mosinee Sportsmen's Alliance in good financial standing. The Treasurer shall be the registered agent for the club. The Treasurer shall provide a balance sheet at the Annual Meeting, and the 2 defined additional meetings.

<u>Secretary:</u> The Secretary will be responsible for keeping accurate minutes of all meetings, notifying members of meetings, and providing correspondence to the membership. The Secretary shall provide meeting minutes to the general membership.

<u>Section 2:</u> Duties of the Board Members: The Board Members shall transact all business of the Mosinee Sportsmen's Alliance, including:

Part A: Establishing policy.

Part B: Approving budgets.

Part C: Accounting for the Alliance's operations and funds.

Article 6

Meetings:

<u>Section 1:</u> Roberts Rules of Order shall prevail in the conduct of meetings. <u>Section 2:</u> Committee members for special events shall be named from the

General Membership.

Section 3: Each member is entitled to one (1) vote. Member must be present to

cast a vote. Absent general members shall not proxy or supply written votes.

Section 4: Annual Meeting:

The annual meeting will be held on or about the third (3rd) Wednesday of January. Advanced notice will be announced a minimum of 30 days before the annual meeting via electronic means. Those members present will constitute a quorum.

Section 5: Additional Meetings:

There will be two (2) additional meetings in the year. These meetings will be scheduled as determined by the Board of Directors. Notice will be given to the general membership a minimum of 7 days in advance via electronic means.

Section 6: Special Meetings:

<u>Part A:</u> If a special meeting is needed, the Board of Directors shall determine the time and place. The membership will be notified seven (7) days prior to the meeting via electronic means.

Part B: Special Meetings may be called at the discretion of the President, three (3) members of the Board of Directors, or ten (10) members of the Alliance.

<u>Part C:</u> A written request for a special meeting must be submitted to the President. The request shall be answered within seven (7) days.

Article 7

Finances:

<u>Section 1:</u> Necessary expenses of the Alliance shall be paid from the treasury of the Alliance, to be done by the Treasurer.

<u>Section 2:</u> The Board of Directors, by a majority of vote, may authorize or appoint any officer(s), committee or committee members, agent(s), or designated members, other than or in addition to officers so designated, to enter into any contract(s) or obligations. Financial contracts, agreements, or obligations entered into by said committees, agents, or members more than \$3,000 must be authorized in advance by a majority vote of the general membership at a previous meeting or a special meeting of the membership called by the Board of Directors. Any such authorization by the Board of Directors may be general or confined to specific instances.

<u>Section 3:</u> All monies spent must be approved by the Board Members at an official meeting, except as specified above.

Section 4: The fiscal year shall be from January 1 to December 31.

Article 8

Amendments:

<u>Section 1:</u> These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members attending the annual meeting, provided that notice of the proposed amendment has been supplied to the members of the Alliance at least thirty (30) days before the annual meeting.

<u>Section 2:</u> If these bylaws need to be amended to comply and conform to the state and federal laws, the membership hereby:

Part A: Waives the notice provisions of any articles of these bylaws: and

<u>Part B:</u> Authorizes the Board, upon consenting vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Board, to make the required changes to the bylaws providing said change(s) do not affect any Bylaws that pertain to Dues, the Board, including duties of the Board, and the articles dealing with Amendments to the Bylaws currently in effect, nor can any article dealing with membership be deleted.

Part C: Should the need arise for the Board to use this Article, they must notify all individuals and committees affected by the amendment(s) as soon as possible, along with a report to the general membership.
Part D: The membership hereby authorizes the Board to approve changes to the Bylaws for the sole purpose of renumbering and eliminating errors in spelling, grammar, and terminology and bringing about proper order and sequence, but in so doing, the Board shall not change the meaning or purpose of any provision so changed or renumbered.

<u>Part E:</u> Proposals for amendments to these Bylaws may originate from any Alliance member.

Article 9

Dissolution: Upon dissolution of the Mosinee Sportsmen's Alliance, and after paying or adequately providing for all debts and obligations in accordance with the law, any remaining property and assets shall be distributed to any charitable or civic institution or organization at the sole discretion of the Board of Directors.

Ratification:

<u>Section 1:</u> These Bylaws will take immediate effect when formally ratified by the initial Board of Directors of the Alliance.

Certification:

The undersigned Secretary of the Mosinee Sportsmen's Alliance does hereby certify that the foregoing Bylaws were duly ratified by the Board of Directors of the Mosinee Sportsmen's Alliance on this day

_____January 18______ of _____2023______.