

EAGLE CAP SHOOTERS

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General Meeting Minutes Date: Monday, April 8, 2024

Status: Approved

Board Members Present: Bill Oliver, John Amond, Dan Piper, Gina Birkmaier, Dan Moncrief, Dean Brown

Board Members Absent: Gary Bethscheider, Grady Rawls, Dale Rasmussen

Members and Guests: Rich Clayton, John Haskett, Noel Walker, Kim Hutchison, Kai Oliver

Handouts: April financial statements, April membership report

Meeting called to order at 6:35pm

Flag Salute

Introductions

Last Month's Minutes

The March minutes were read and approved on a motion by Dan Moncrief and a second by John Amond with no corrections.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was read by John Amond and approved on a motion by Gina Birkmaier and second by Dean Brown. Current checking account balance is \$43,681.45 and current CDs total \$35,403.44, as reported on the handout. The detail of the Treasurer's Report is available by contacting John Amond.

Regarding the P&L statements, John explains that we brought in about \$10k in fees and dues since the last meeting and about \$16k year-to-date. Total income year-to-date is about \$19k with total expenses of less than \$13k.

John further explains that the current cash on hand is \$44k with another \$10k of income expected from membership dues and fees. With an estimated \$12k in expense remaining for the Education Building, \$30k in out-of-pocket expense remaining for the shotgun ranges, \$7k remaining expense for gate automation, and other minor anticipated expenses, this leaves us with an estimated negative balance in cash on hand for the year. John notes that we expect donations to come in to offset this negative balance, but he can pull in some funds from reserve accounts if needed. The reserve accounts for longterm members are still heavy. Year-to-date operating expenses have come in right at the forecasted \$4k/month so we are right on track with forecasts for the year and John notes that he does not expect any issues.



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Membership Report

The Membership Report was read by John Amond. John explains that the total membership count for the 2024+ membership year is 251 as of the meeting date, with a total of 185 of these members paying annually. John notes that these numbers are almost exactly the same as at this time last year.

Law Enforcement Relations Report

Kim Hutchison explains that it may be difficult to get a work crew at the Range right now and that he is unsure if it will happen this year at all.

Bill Oliver explains that there is interest from both local and non-local law enforcement in continuing to use the Range for trainings and notes that several trainings are booked throughout the year. Bill inquires to those present whether these trainings/events are impeding with membership use of the Range. The consensus was that they have not been an issue so far but easily could be if the volume of events continues to increase. The Board will continue to monitor this as the year progresses.

Old Business

Range Report

No updates were given.

Education Building Project

Dan Moncrief explains that work continues on sheetrock in the building and they are making good progress.

Trap & Skeet and Moving Target Range Projects

Bill Oliver explains that he has done more research on the project and viewed a shotgun range while in New Zealand for ideas.

No update was given for the Moving Target Range.

Front Gate Project

Bill Oliver explains that Josh Kesecker is working with Dan Piper and Gary Bethscheider to get equipment purchased, create accounts, and add infrastructure for this project. Dan Piper explains that most of the card lock equipment has arrived and Josh is working on programming.

Wallowa Ready

Bill Oliver explains that Jolene Cox has identified some instructors for the First Aid classes and will look to set a schedule in the next month or so and will likely schedule the classes for at the VFW Hall.

New Business

Raffle Drawing for TNC Buck Tag

Kim Hutchison draws from the bucket including all raffle tickets. The winner of the Nature Conservancy Buck Tag is Justin Davis. Congratulations to Justin!



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Raffle Drawing for Gun of Your Dreams Gift Card

Noel Walker draws from the bucket including all members who paid dues by 4/1/24. The winner of the Gun of Your Dreams is Patty Murphy. Congratulations to Patty!

Upcoming Events

Bill Oliver explains that ECS receives fees for all of the events that result in Range closures. Bill notes that the wedding planned for August will be a trial to see if this is something we want to offer in the future.

Kim Hutchison explains that he will be hosting several Cowboy Action Shoots again this year, with the dates listed below.

- Saturday, 3/16: Range Safety Orientation at 10am. Instructor: Grady Rawls (541)908-2375
- Saturday, 3/30: Hunter Safety Field Day. Pistol Range Closed 12pm 2pm
- Saturday, 4/6: 21 Feet Training. Pistol Range Closed 9am 3pm
- Saturday, 5/4: Cowboy Action Shoot. Rifle Range Closed 12pm 4pm
- Sunday, 5/19: Summit Security Training. Pistol Range Closed 12pm 3:30pm
- Saturday, 6/1: Cowboy Action Shoot. Rifle Range Closed 12pm 4pm
- Monday, 6/10 through Tuesday, 6/11: Marion County Sheriff's Sniper School. Rifle Range Closed all day
- Saturday, 7/6: Cowboy Action Shoot. Rifle Range Closed 12pm 4pm
- Friday, 8/2 through Saturday, 8/3: Wedding Reception Setup. Education Building Reserved.
- Saturday, 8/3 through Sunday, 8/4: Wedding Reception. Entire Range Facilities Closed Saturday at 5pm through Sunday at 9am
- Saturday, 8/10: 21 Feet Training. Pistol Range Closed 9am 3pm
- Saturday, 8/10: Cowboy Action Shoot. Rifle Range Closed 12pm 4pm
- Saturday, 9/7: Cowboy Action Shoot. Rifle Range Closed 12pm 4pm

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Dan Piper explains that he has a new combination lock for the front gate since the old lock was getting difficult to open and notes that he will replace the lock the next time he is at the Range.

Kim Hutchison explains that he would be interested in hosting a Military Arms Shoot sometime this year if there is enough community interest. Dan Piper will email members to gauge interest. Bill Oliver thanks Kim for hosting the show and tell last month.

Kim asks if we have any volunteers to host the Youth Shoot this year. Dan Piper will email members looking for volunteers.

Bill Oliver explains that we received an email from McCluskey Arms who is looking to do an event next year that would be a large event include night shooting, vendors, machine guns, and trainings. McCluskey would provide catering, medical services, Range Safety Officers, and additional toilets for the event. This would be a full weekend of activities. Bill notes that night shooting requires special approval



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from the County and the neighbors of the Range. Bill asks those present whether we should pursue more information about this event. The consensus of those present was that the event is worth looking into and could be a great fundraiser for the Range and the County in entirety. Bill will call McClusky Arms to discuss the event in greater detail.

This Old Gun

None

Meeting Adjourned: 7:25pm

Next Meeting: Monday, May 13th, 2024, at 6:30pm at the VFW Hall, Enterprise, Oregon

Submitted: Dan Piper, Secretary