

7:15 PM Call to Order and Pledges by President George Mayhak

Invocation: Tim Hall

- **New Members – Bill and Bonnie Upton and Art and Diane Fitzgerald (Mike Roche/Floyd Abbott) approved**
- **Next Board Meeting is January 17th - all members are welcome**
- **Children's Easter Party Planning in the works. Stay tuned.**
- **Every Saturday is a work day...Building addition – lots happening here every day!**
- **Big Thank You to Mike Green for all his efforts on the Sportsman Against Hunger Project!**

➤ Motion was made to accept minutes as printed by Floyd Abbott and supported by Art Hamilton. Approved.

President's Report:

1. Spaghetti dinner starting at 6:00 PM – February Regular Meeting (Feb. 7) Donations accepted.
2. New Members Meeting – Tuesday, January 31 at 7:15. All new members (last year and a half) will be invited to attend. Meet with Board members and some old time members. Information you shouldn't miss.
3. Tony Gates was voted the **"Radio Personality of the Year!"** CONGRATULATIONS!!
4. Scott Fries has been elected to the office of Board Chairman for 2006.

Secretary's Report: Terry Stuart:

1. Anyone knowing of Art/Craft show vendors please let Terry know. The first such event could happen as early as April. Stay tuned!

Treasurer's Report: Gordon Pickerd:

- \$72,347.26 in all accounts. As of December 30, 2005 - Income \$127,841.02 and expenses of \$127,562.65.

Committee Reports:

- Shoots (Cowboy and Trap/Skeet) doing very well. Trap/Skeet is opened every Sunday from 10 AM on and every Monday and Thursday evening starting at 6 P.M.. Winter League starts Sunday, January 8th. Shooting will be on Sunday from 11-3 and Monday and Thursday from 6-9.
- NSSA Wednesday night events begin the first Wednesday in February. (Feb. 1st)
- The next Cowboy shoot will be January 7th. Eye protection and hearing protection are required. Safety meeting at 9:30 and shooting begins at 10 A.M..
- Work Day will be every Saturday. Much needs to be done to the new addition as well as upkeep of the grounds.
- Gun Raffle – Eddie Yoskovich was the winner of \$100 with ticket #7.
- **SPECIAL NOTE ON THE 2006 GUN RAFFLE. TICKETS ARE ALREADY BEING PREPARED WITH ONLY 300 BOOKLETS FOR 12 MONTHLY RAFFLES AT THE INCREDIBLE PRICE OF \$50.00. THERE WILL BE 3 MONTHLY CASH WINNERS WITH A PRIZE OF \$100. PLAN TO BUY ONE FOR YOURSELF AND GIVE ONE AS A GIFT. ONLY 40 BOOKLETS REMAIN TO BE SOLD.**
- Sportsmen Against Hunger shoot on the first and third Fridays from 6-9 p.m. All are welcome to shoot - firearms and ammunition are available. Proceeds go to the Sportsmen Against Hunger campaign. Next March we will continue our help at the Sport and Boat Show by assisting with food donations on the Thursday of this event. People who donate 6 food items get a free ticket to the show. Plan on helping for an hour or so.
- **MUCC** – Donna reported that the January District 5 meeting will be held at the Gun River club on January 26th. Wendy has presented an offer for the acquisition of the property on the North Side of the Club.
- Mike Roche would like all news items before the 20th of the month to include in the newsletter.
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- **Sunshine.** : No news tonight
- **Publicity/Marketing:** No report this evening.
- **Food and Beverage:** Lisa Harbison requests that you contact her for kitchen needs.
- **Apparel:** New hats are here. Cost is \$14.00. See Bernie Sobie if interested. Sweatshirts will be ordered soon with the Rockford logo – medium weight will be around \$15 and heavy weight around \$20.

- **Building and Grounds:** Work day is every Saturday. Actually every day lately has been a work day. Help if you are able. I know this is repeated...but we do need more help!
- **Work Hours:** Continue to fill out those slips and turn them in. Member Mike Roche is keeping the records up to date.
- **Road Clean-Up:** No report
- **Hunter Safety:** The April class will be moved to May 8th, 10th, 13th. The August class will be held August 14th, 16th, and 19th. The September class will be September 11th, 13th, and 16th. If interested in helping (you do not need to be an instructor) please contact Bill Skallos – 866-0096. Also, contact him if you have a youngster you would like to register.
- **Christmas Party:** There were 19 children at the Christmas party and all had a great time. Special thank you to Santa and all who helped with this project.
- **Gun Show:** Peter Kruetzfeldt announced that he had helpers for the next gun show (Jim Jones and Terry Stuart) but was looking for additional help. Peter asked for trap/skeet shooters to help with the booth to help explain their sport.

Old Business:

1. Fish, Turkey, and Deer Contest to be held at the February regular meeting. Bring your proof!

New Business:

Open Forum:

- Thanks to Peter Kruetzfeldt for putting the gate on the Dumpster cover. We can now get our \$500 refund from the township.
- Drawing for T-shirt – John Cordes
- 25/25 Drawing Winners: Chris Harbison and Tony Gates

Respectfully submitted:

Secretary Terry Stuart

Rockford Sportsman's Club
Board Meeting –January 17, 2006

Board Members Present: President George Mayhak, Vice-President Brad Mullen, Treasurer Gordon Pickerd, Secretary Terry Stuart, Trustees; Tim Hall, Mike Roche, Mike Green, and Ron Parker, Lisa Harbison, Bob Drury, Stacey Omland and Rick Schmock and Board Chairman Scott Fries.

Absent: Sgt. At Arms Terry Eicholtz

Guests: Greg VerVeer, Dan Blain, Mark DeGeest, and Tom Smith

Meeting opened at 7:05 by Board Chairman Scott Fries with an invocation by Tim Hall

1. **Building Dedication and Annual Dinner – Saturday, April 8th. (6-10 P.M.) Cost to be determined. Committee being formed to plan this event.**
2. **Motion to accept new members Glen and Cynthia Van Orman and Elson and Louise Sterns (Mike Roche/Gordon Pickerd) approved.**
3. **Motion to move to Regular Member Status Dan Schmock (George Mayhak/Mike Roche) approved**
4. **Cowboy Meeting - January 20th 7:00 PM.**
5. **New Members Meeting – January 30th 7:00 PM**
6. **Annual Dinner and Building Dedication Meeting January 24th 7:00 PM**

- Gordon read a letter from the township questioning our tax free status. George Mayhak and Gordon Pickerd to go before the township board in March.

(Building and Grounds Announcement)

1. **The building addition project is going well. The electrical system is nearly completed. The old part of the building will be finished soon. Work is continuing every day. The old part has been completely insulated and the drywall is up and waiting to be finished. In the new addition some insulation is up (waiting on the final electrical inspection) and drywall is proceeding nicely. Thanks to Bill Plambeck, Gordon Pickerd, and Dan Vincent and all others who have been helping complete this project.**
2. Greg VerVeer and Dan Blain presented options for the speaker system in both parts of our clubhouse. After discussion it was decided to go with speakers that Greg suggested. Motion by George Mayhak and supported by Brad Mullen to purchase 24 speakers, price of which will not exceed \$2,000. Approved.
3. Mark DeGeest talked about the Road Commission's new policy which grants a group a 3 year permit to pick up trash along a certain stretch of road. (We have been doing this from 13 Mile to 14 Mile for ten years) In any event, our permit is expired and we can not reapply for at least one year. Instead, we will apply for a 3 year permit from 12 Mile to 13 Mile road. Kind of makes you wonder about how the Kent County Road Commission treats its volunteers! Motion by George Mayhak and supported by Terry Stuart to apply for a 3 year permit for 12-13 Mile Rd. Approved. Help will be needed with these clean-ups. Please contact Mark DeGeest and watch the newsletter for announcements.
4. Tom Smith commented on the Scholarship search and how Jeremy Phillips is using his degree to be an Interpreter and instructor on the Delaware River in PA. Jeremy was a recipient of our scholarship and is the son of Darrell and Barb Phillips. Also, Tom mentioned that he had arranged for three wildlife encounters this year. These encounter impact 750 kids and is an excellent program.

Treasurer Gordon Pickerd:

1. Treasurer's Report - \$74,914.16 balance in all accounts. Income this year \$8,448.00 and expenses of \$18,754.90.
2. The club had a huge gas bill for December. With all the insulation done the past two weeks this should be reduced to a normal amount.
3. After discussion, Gordon made the motion with George Mayhak supporting, to allow two members who did not participate and get all their work hours in one month to show interest and intent. Approved.

President George Mayhak:

1. Winter League continues every Sunday, Monday and Thursday. Shooting 10-3 on Sunday and 6-9 on Monday and Thursday.
2. George talked about the new members' meeting on January 30th. Anyone is welcome. This meeting is designed to answer questions about the club and to get our new members organized on a work committee.
3. George reminded the Board of the spaghetti dinner on February 7th at 6:00 PM. Help is welcome to put on the dinner.
4. **There will be a meeting February 16th for members interested in air rifle and archery starting at 7:00 PM.**

Secretary Terry Stuart:

1. A rental agreement was presented to the Board. After discussion it was suggested that a refund section be added. A letter to prospective renters as well as a list of club rules was also given to the Board to look over. This rental agreement is to be used with non-member rentals.
2. Letters of thanks were received from the Krause Memorial Library for our donation and also from the North Kent Community Center. (The community center was able to purchase 1,000 pounds of food with our donation!)

Trustee Mike Green:

1. The 1st and 3rd Friday night fun shoots will continue next year with proceeds donated to Sportsmen Against Hunger. It appears with all of the donations given including 26 deer and \$1600 to 2nd Harvest Gleaners that Rockford will once again win the coveted trophy for the most donations. A Big thank you to Mike Green and all others who helped with this project. **Reminder: The Sport and RV Show is March 16th. Volunteers are needed to collect food donations. Help is needed all day. Sign up with Mike Green if you are planning to help.**
3. The January cowboy shoot had 38 participants and there is a special cowboy meeting on January 20th to discuss our two day Cowboy Shoot on April 29th and 30th as well as planning for 2006.

Trustee Lisa Harbison:

Lisa will be the chairperson for the 2006 Cystic Fibrosis Hunt For the Cure field day at our club. There is a planning meeting on February 8th for our Field Day which is scheduled for August 12.

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Terry Stuart:

SPECIAL REMINDER – WORK HOUR SLIPS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE PAVILLION AND THE CLUB HOUSE AND THE SHOOT BUILDING OR ONLINE FORM AT OUR WEBSITE UNDER MEMBERSHIP - WORK HOUR FORMS. IT IS THE MEMBERS' RESPONSIBILITY TO FILL THESE OUT ON A REGULAR AND TIMELY BASIS.

ROCKFORD SPORTSMAN'S CLUB
Regular Meeting Minutes –February 7, 2006

Invocation: Tim Hall – Followed by a spaghetti dinner at 6:00 PM. This was very well attended. Our thanks to the set-up crew – Mike Roche, Bob Drury, Dan Vincent, Bill Plambeck, Bill Lane, Gordon Pickerd and Terry Stuart. Many thanks to the kitchen/cooking committee; Sherry and Richard Betz, Judy Mayhak, Carol Alison, Nancy and Earl Hull, Diane and Art Fitzgerald and Lisa Harbison. Great dinner and good fellowship!

7:15 PM Call to Order and Pledges by President George Mayhak

- **New Members – Ryan and Jolanta Wilson, Timothy and Nancy Tobin, Gary and Patty Peterson, Doug and Cindy Lang, Scott and Deb Morter, Gary DeCan, and George Peterson. Mike Roche/Danny Vincent) approved**
- **Next Board Meeting is February 21 - all members are welcome**
- **Children's Easter Party Planning in the works. Date is April 15th. Chairperson – Jennie Betz – More information at the next regular meeting. All are welcome.**
- **Every day is a work day...Building addition – lots happening here every day!**
- **Big thank you to the crew working on the building. Coming along very well. New ceiling looks great!**

➤ Minutes from the last regular meeting and board meeting accepted as printed by acclamation .

President's Report:

1. February 16th, 7-8 PM there will be a meeting of all members interested in indoor archery and air rifle. Purpose of the meeting is to form a committee and to discuss such things as possible leagues and classes.
2. New Members Meeting was held on Tuesday, January 31 at 7:15. All new members (last year and a half) were invited to attend. There was a very good turnout and future meetings will be planned.
3. Tony Gates has volunteered to be Master of Ceremonies at the Annual Dinner and Building Dedication on April 8th. Great door prizes (Winchester lever .22, Motel get-away for two, and other surprises will be awarded on this evening. Tickets are being handled by Anne Bradley – couple \$25, single \$15. See her at the meeting to get yours!
4. Each chairman is asked to turn in a list of the volunteers who worked hard for the club in 2005. These folks to be recognized at the annual dinner. **YOUR LIST IS DUE BY THE BOARD MEETING.** Please don't overlook anyone who helped in a substantial way.

Secretary's Report: Terry Stuart:

1. A note was read from Tammy Duke thanking the club for the floral arrangement. She was in a very bad auto accident recently.

Treasurer's Report: Gordon Pickerd:

- \$75,807.55 in all accounts. As of January 31, 2005 - Income \$11,520.26 and expenses of \$25,372.76.

Committee Reports:

- Shoots Trap/Skeet doing very well. Trap/Skeet is opened every Sunday from 10 AM on and every Monday and Thursday evening starting at 6 P.M.. Winter League continues and you may still join this shoot.. Shooting will be on Sunday from 11-3 and Monday and Thursday from 6-9.
- NSSA Wednesday night events continue on the first Wednesday of each month. There will be a two day shoot on April 22nd and 23rd. Help would be appreciated.
- Referee class to be held on February 18th. If interested in attending please see Dan Vincent.
- The next Cowboy shoot will be March 4th. Eye protection and hearing protection are required. Safety meeting at 9:30 and shooting begins at 10 A.M. There was 55 shooters at the February 4th shoot and everyone had a good time. The lunch, as usual, was outstanding. Thanks to Fran and Paul Kazmierski, Dora Jones, Carol Stuart and Sue Barksdale.
- There will be a two day cowboy shoot on April 22nd and 23rd. Volunteers will be welcome. Kitchen help is welcome also!
- Work Day will be every Saturday. Much needs to be done to the new addition as well as upkeep of the grounds.
- Sportsmen Against Hunger dinner March 14th at Madison Square Sportsmen Club. Dinner is at 6:00. All are welcome.
- March 16 – Sport and Boat Show – help is needed to assist with food collection from 7:00 AM until 7:00 PM. Tony Gates will be broadcasting live all day. You can help a few hours or all day. This is how we earn credit for

ROCKFORD SPORTSMAN'S CLUB
Regular Meeting Minutes –February 7, 2006

the annual trophy from Sportsmen Against Hunger. Your hours are credited. Last year almost 30,000 pounds of food was collected for God's Kitchen.

- Gun Raffle – Eric Burgess won the Golden Boy rifle with ticket number 36.
- Sportsmen Against Hunger shoot on the first and third Fridays from 6-9 p.m. All are welcome to shoot - firearms and ammunition are available. Proceeds go to the Sportsmen Against Hunger campaign.
- MUCC – Camp applications have arrived. Camp costs \$350. Members back their payment after their child attends camp. New members get back 50% of the cost of sending their child to camp after their child attends. Glen Bradley is in charge of reservations. Get them in soon as camp dates fill up quickly.
- Mike Roche would like all news items before the 15th of the month to include in the newsletter.
 - Sunshine – Donna Brigg's brother passed away, Tammy Duke was in a terrible auto accident, Nan Crysler fell and broke her knee and had surgery, Dan and Pauline Vincent are grandparents again, Bill Plambeck's sister passed away, and Dian Jones is suffering with terrible back pain. Our prayers are with these members who are recovering or who have suffered the loss of a family member.
 - Publicity/Marketing: No report this evening.
 - Food and Beverage: Lisa Harbison requests that you contact her for kitchen needs.
 - Apparel: Bernie would like to order more new hats. Cost is \$14.00. See Bernie Sobie if interested. Sweatshirts will be ordered soon with the Rockford logo – medium weight will be around \$15 and heavy weight around \$20.
 - Building and Grounds: Work day is every Saturday. Actually every day lately has been a work day. Help if you are able. The furnace in the new addition is being worked on and should be operational by the end of the week.
 - Work Hours: Continue to fill out those slips and turn them in. Member Mike Roche is keeping the records up to date.
 - Road Clean-Up: No report
 - Party Committee: Jennie has announced the Easter Party for Kids will be held on April 15th. Help is welcome.
 - Hunter Safety: The April class will be moved to May 8th, 10th, 13th. The August class will be held August 14th, 16th, and 19th. The September class will be September 11th, 13th, and 16th. If interested in helping (you do not need to be an instructor) please contact Bill Skallos – 866-0096. Also, contact him if you have a youngster you would like to register.
 - Gun Show: The next gun show is March 4th and 5th. Peter Kruetzfeldt would like to have several volunteers as this is the weekend of a cowboy shoot.

Old Business:

1. Turkey Winner – Paul Kazmierski, runner up – Wendy Briggs
2. Deer Winner – Paul Kazmierski (no other antlers presented)
3. Fish Contest – we did not have any entries.

New Business:

Open Forum:

- Drawing for T-shirts– Gary Peterson, Carol Alison, and Jim Irvine
- 25/25 Drawing Winners: Dave Briggs and Lee Sterns (\$103 raised for the Sportsmen Against Hunger Campaign) Thank you for being so generous!

Respectfully submitted:

Secretary Terry Stuart

Rockford Sportsman's Club
Board Meeting –February 21, 2006

Board Members Present: President George Mayhak, Treasurer Gordon Pickerd, Secretary Terry Stuart, Sgt. At Arms Terry Eicholtz, Trustees; Tim Hall, Mike Roche, Mike Green, Ron Parker, Lisa Harbison, Stacey Omland and Rick Schmock and Board Chairman Scott Fries.

Absent: Vice-President Brad Mullen

Guests: Mark Strickfaden, Scott Holzgen, and Tom Smith

Meeting opened at 7:00 by Board Chairman Scott Fries with an invocation by Tim Hall

1. **Building Dedication and Annual Dinner – Saturday, April 8th. (6-10 P.M.) Cost \$25 – Call Anne Bradley to make reservation – 874-7522. (note number correction from invitation)**
2. **Annual Dinner and Building Dedication Meeting – Each Monday – 7:00 PM – Main Building**
3. **The Board recognized the many contributions of materials at low cost or no cost from our own Rick Schmock. Thank you!!!!**

(Building and Grounds Announcement)

1. **The building addition project is going well. Work is continuing every day. As of this Board meeting the new ceiling in the new addition is half completed, and the painting is nearly completed in the old section. It is looking really sharp. Stop up and take a tour.**

President George Mayhak:

1. George shared the results of several meetings held every Monday concerning the Annual Dinner and Dedication. Much progress has been made. The budget for this event was discussed and accepted by the Board. This is one event that the membership will truly enjoy. Three main door prizes (just for coming) a Winchester .22 lever action rifle – now almost impossible to find, an overnight stay in the brand new Comfort Suite Inn in Comstock Park, and a shore bird made by our own Jim Denison. Many other bucket prizes (so far we have...A gift certificate from Damar Machinery (Dave Crysler), a Man and Woman's watch from Westdale (Judy Mayhak), Tanning time from Sun Rays, a Gift Basket from Baskets in the Belfry, Arbonne Products from Sue Arends, a shoot cart from the Rockford Sportsman's Club, a CCW or Renewal Class from Terry Stuart, and other prizes to follow.
2. A special Awards Tree is being made for our East Wall. This will be in the shape of a tree with other trees in the background. Acorns with names of members who have contributed time, money, or materials will be the theme. The Board decided that the minimum requirements to have your name engraved on an acorn will be 100 hours of work on the new building, \$250 cash donation, or \$250 worth of materials.
3. Baskets in the Belfry have offered a special promotion. With a special coupon (available in the newsletter and other places) any purchase you make during the two day promotion will result in a 10% return to the club.
 - Motion by George Mayhak and supported by Gordon Pickerd to take part in this promotion. Approved.

Treasurer Gordon Pickerd:

1. Treasurer's Report - \$75,038.75 balance in all accounts. Income this year \$15,732.26 and expenses of \$27,068.270.
2. Gordon requested help with preparing our request for consideration of 501-C3 status which would allow for people donating to the club to write it off as a tax deduction and also help with our property tax status. After discussion...
 - Motion made by Mike Green supported by Ron Parker to have Gordon pursue help with the attorney who helped "Hunt for the Cure" achieve this 501-C3 status. Approved
 - Motion made by Mike Green supported by Ron Parker to have the Bob Bond fund and Land Acquisition fund be handled by Regal Financial as administrator. We are looking for advice as to whether we are invested in the best instrument for the club. Approved

Secretary Terry Stuart:

1. Terry was contacted by Community Schools regarding a beginning Trap/Skeet Class. Dates for the class would be Wednesdays – April 12th, 19th, and 26th and May 17th, 24th, and 31st. Help would be needed for instruction each of those nights. Cost to the public is \$75 per person with shells at normal club prices.
 - Motion by Gordon Pickerd and supported by Terry Eicholtz to have this class. Approved
2. Another class was mentioned. This time the beginning pistol class. Dates for this class would also be on Wednesdays – June 14th, 21st, and 28th, and July 12th, 19th, and 26th.
 - Motion by Gordon Pickerd and supported by Lisa Harbison to have this class. Approved.

Note: Volunteer instructor sign-ups for these classes will be at the regular meetings. You may also contact me at 616-887-9917. All help is welcomed.

Trustee Mike Green:

1. The 1st and 3rd Friday night fun shoots will continue next year with proceeds donated to Sportsmen Against Hunger. The dinner to honor all clubs who participated is March 14th at Madison Square Sportsmen Club. Dinner is at 6:00 PM. **Reminder: The Sport and RV Show is March 16th. Volunteers are needed to collect food**

donations. Help is needed all day. Sign up with Mike Green if you are planning to help.

2. The ear plug vendor will be at the two day cowboy shoot. Cost for custom ear plugs - \$35.
1. The February cowboy shoot had 55 participants. The next shoot is March 4th and the two day Cowboy Shoot on April 29th and 30th is in the planning stages. We are looking for possible vendors for these two days.

Trustee Lisa Harbison:

1. Lisa will be the chairperson for the 2006 Cystic Fibrosis Hunt For the Cure field day at our club which is scheduled for August 12. Lisa is looking for suggestions to make our field day even bigger. One suggestion for more fund raising for this fine event is a vendor display area. Since B-97 is heavily promoting this a suggested vendor area price of \$97.00 was suggested.

Trustee Tim Hall:

1. Tim suggested checking with the Comfort Suite Inn to see if there might be a discount for our NSSA shooters as well as our cowboy shooters who will be staying overnight.
2. Tim told the Board that everything is in place for our May Hunter Safety Class. Help is needed Monday, May 8th and Wednesday May 10th from 6:00-8:30 PM and Saturday, May 13th from 8:30-5 PM.

Trustee Ron Parker

1. Pictures were taken today of the work being done in the new addition. These will be posted on the web site soon.

Trustee Mike Roche.

1. We now have 190 members. Dinners at the regular meeting will continue. Stay tuned. There will be a chicken dinner in June.

Trustee Stacy Omland

1. Stacy suggested having a summer field day event for just women. It would include pistol, trap, skeet, cowboy guns and lots of other fun activities. This will be planned and presented more in detail later.
 - Motion by George Mayhak and supported by Gordon Pickerd to go ahead with this event. Approved.

Chairman of the Board Scott Fries

1. Scott reported on the first meeting of interested archers concerning indoor archery and possible leagues at the club.
2. Discussion centered around safety, equipment needed, leagues, cost to shoot, Kevlar netting, possible classes that could be offered, and two possible leagues – one in winter and one just before bow season. The committee will check out other facilities that feature indoor archery and meet again.
3. We had a special request of range use by a Special Response Team that brings in officers from all over the country to train at our club. The week they would want to use the range is May 15-19. They would use the 100 and 200 yard range. This program would bring to the club \$10 per day per participant with a total for the week to reach around \$600. It was originally scheduled at another club but difficulty in arranging range time has brought them to us.
 - Motion by Gordon Pickerd and supported by Mike Green to approve of this use of our range. Approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Terry Stuart:

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ROCKFORD SPORTSMAN'S CLUB
Regular Meeting Agenda March 7, 2006
Call to Order at 7:15 P.M.

Pledges: Everyone – Conservation Pledge: I give my pledge as an American to save and to faithfully defend from waste, the natural resources of my country, its air, soil, and minerals, its forests, waters and wildlife

Invocation: Chaplain Tim Hall -

- Announcements- Sherry Betz – Membership meeting / dinner May 2nd hotdog brats and beans 6:00 pm. Only \$5.00
- April 15th Turkey gun seminar and sight in. Time: please check your upcoming newsletter or website.

New Members and Guests: Terry Stuart

Approval of Minutes: As moved by Floyd Abbot, supported by Bob Drury.

Terry Stuart

- Discussed door prizes for dedication on April 8th dedication.
- Gun Raffle tickets have been discounted for \$ 40.00
- Basket in the Belfry coupons available for April 7th or 8th. 10% goes back to RSC.
- Need a volunteer with a truck to assist with the Dedication Dinner on April 8th

President's Report: George Mayhak (filling in for George will be Terry Stuart)

Chairman's Report: Scott Fries (filling in for Terry Stuart tonight) – No report

Vice-President's Report: Brad Mullen -

Secretary's Report: Terry Stuart -

Treasurer's Report: Gordon Pickerd

- Total in all accounts -- \$ 72,097.75
- Income -- \$ 18,000
- Expenses - \$ 32,000

- Regal Financial is reviewing our investment strategies.
- Requested volunteer to help out on a Kids shooting program in April & May.

Committee Reports:

- Shoots: (NSSA, Trap/Skeet, Cowboy)
- Cowboy – Michael Green reports. This past Saturday 49 shooters. Cowboys compliments

- Scott Fries – Archery meeting was February 16th - discussed a safe shooting area and leagues. Also discussed indoor air guns. - Mike Tidswell has volunteered to be committee Chairman.
 - Hunter Safety – no report
 - MUCC - Donna Briggs: Tree Giveaway May 20th – Arbor Day.
 - Sunshine: Pat Connery - Former membe has been diagnosed with Cancer
 - Dianne Jones is home now recovering from her back surgery.

 - Food and Beverage: No report
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 - Gun Raffle - Remington 700 in .204 Ruger winner was Ticket # 209 Gordon Pickerd

 - Building and Grounds: Take a look beautiful ceiling in our new addition.
 - Publicity/Marketing: No report
 - Newsletter: No report - Deadline is the 20th of the month.
 - Apparel: Bernie Sobie is putting together another order for our new caps. Contact Bernie.

ROCKFORD SPORTSMAN'S CLUB
Regular Meeting Agenda March 7, 2006

- Membership: Applications submitted and approved for :

New Members: Joe Upton, Dennis and Julie Dowling, David and Sarah Jehnzen, and Larry and Bev Postema.

- Party Committee
- Sportsmen Against Hunger

Michael Green: Tuesday the 14th at Madison Square Dinner. Thursday March 16th ~19th is the Sport & RV Show.

Tony Gates will be there again and encouraged all to attend. Please bring your six items of non-parishable Food items for free admission. 30,000 pounds of food were donated last year. Volunteers are welcome starting at 7:00 am. Cash contributions welcome.

- Annual Dinner and Building Dedication Saturday, April 8th, 2005 – 6-10 PM – Tony Gates has agreed to be Master of Ceremonies

Jenny Betz: April 15th Easter Party 10~noon. Breakfast served. Games and The Easter Bunny will be here. Easter Egg Hunt. RSVP 874-9877 – please leave age and gender.

Old Business:

1. Building Committee Report and Suggestions -
2. Since our members have been working during the week. Saturday's are not considered work days.

New Business:

1. Tax situation -- Gordon will be meeting with our attorney to discuss our tax status.
3. Committees needed to assist with the Building Dedication Dinner

Member Bob Anaya – discussed Explorers Club for 16 years and older. Explorers learn about law enforcement. This is like a mini State Police Academy. Bob has 13 kids going through the program and would like to use our range and facilities.

Contact Bob at the Rockford State Police post at 866-4411 for more details. Wednesday evenings using Pistol Range and the main building. Motion made by Gordon. Seconded by Dan Vincent. Motion passed.

Terry discussed our upcoming Beginning Trap & Skeet. April and May. Beginning Handguns will be in June and July. Dates are listed on the website at: www.rockfordsportsmansclub.com

Open Forum:

Motion made by Mike Roche and seconded by Gordon Pickerd to update Richard & Karen Prefontaine to Full membership status.

John Schroader discussed a potential Class A Trap competition and future teams for high school students.

Dan Hankinson: Cub Scouts will be at RSC on Saturday, May 20th from noon to about 4:30 p.m. All ranges and the shoot building. Volunteers needed. Please call Dan at 784-6811 days and 784-1948 evenings.

Raffle: 25/25/25/25 \$45.00 Winners were Bob Nowack and Mike Roche.

Meeting adjourned 8:40

Rockford Sportsman's Club
Board Meeting – March 21, 2006

Board Members Present: Scott Fries, Lisa Harbison, Tim Hall, Ron Parker, Stacey Omland, Terry Eicholtz, Brad Mullen, Mike Roche, Mike Green, Rick Schmock, Gordon Pickerd. Guest: Gary Skeels.

Absent: Terry Stuart, George Mayhak

Mtg open at 7:00 by Board Chairman
Opening Prayer by Tim Hall.

Guest: Gary Skeels who lives in Rockford. Mike made motion for Gary's membership. Gordon supported. Motion passed.

President's Report: None

VP's report: Brad Mullen received message from Peter Kruetzel regarding tickets to the Annual Dinner.

Treasurer: \$19,710.04 income. Expenses 21,518.77 Total in all accounts 64,935.88 Need to see what we can do to pump up income. Down \$2,000 on subscriptions/tickets. 15-20 books of tickets are left over. Building has progressed nicely.

Since last meeting Atty. Dirk Roskam and his associated Jill Goddell have helped with 501c3 status. Gordon has had various meetings w/ these people. They are more than 2/3rds finished completing this project.

Gordon made motion that we admit Dirk Roskam as assoc member of club. Ron (& terry) seconded. Motion passed.

Gordon, Jill Goddell, and Dirk Roskam went before Tax Board of Review today. Our Twp supervisor and assessor were there and gave favorable account of the way we operate and the way we handle things in the club. Good meeting overall! The fact that 501C3 app is being made is in our favor.

\$64,935.88 is net worth because of bills. Checkbook lowest balance it has been in four years. May have to look to membership for additional money.

Scott suggested that there should be a motion by the board that supports changing our status from c4 to c3. Mike Green made motion, Ron Parker seconded for Board approval to proceed with processing the necessary documents and application to become a 501c3 organization. Discussion was made for potential pros and cons. Motion passed.

Gordon has written a check for \$3,500 for a retainer to be given to attorneys. Probably another \$2,000 more to complete.

Roxanne Buhl would like a recommendation letter from RSC board.

Currently putting wains-coating up, chair railing, up. Sconce lighting put up. Other lights are here to be installed. Chris Schewe will be putting polyurethane on woodwork. Speakers are available in warehouse to put into ceiling. Greg and Dan said they will put speakers in when ceiling is done. Ron will get pics.

Rick Schmock: John Shcroeder from South Kent spoke on youth trap team. Rick volunteered to work with the kids on this. Will coordinate shoot w/ South Kent. Brought first draft of youth trap/skeet shoot. Gordon moved that Rick proceed with program and that we make resources available to it. Terry seconded. Question from Tim regarding fees. Two lines of trap and two lines of skeet will be shot at each club. Rick would like to have team trophies made. First class Skeet First class Trap. Gordon suggested taking trophies to member Mark Bivens to be engraved. Sponsorships? Shells donated? Shooters needed. The more the better. Possibly get more clubs involved as with a round robin. Date is Friday May 19th from 5:30~9 pm. Motion passed. Announcement will go in next newsletter.

Mike Green: Sportsman Against Hunger dinner. RSC got both trophies!!! Mike will get us the numbers. Won by a fair margin. Lbs divided by the number of people who show up to load the truck. Cash contributions came in strong. Member Tony Gates contributed 25 deer. Over 2,100 lbs of venison. Trophies are in the main clubhouse. Please come and see them at the membership meeting and banquet. Larger truck was there. If we didn't beat last year, we were close. 1903 tickets were given out this year. All venison went out to North Kent Services.

Sport and RV show for 2006. A Sparta member came and asked if we were having an RSC convention. Many supporters from Rockford were there. Thanks to all who participated and contributed!!!

Cowboys are having a one day match week from Saturday, April 1st.

April 29th & 30th will be two day Cowboy event, expecting 40-50 shooters, but could be more. Many compliments from last cowboy shoot participants on the new building, and of course the great food! Hopefully two day event will bring in more income from last year. Informal plans by Glen VanOrden (sp?) for new store fronts for Cowboy shoots. Mike will talk to Roxanne Buhl to get advertising in for two day shoot.

Terry: \$58 taken in on range in 2.5 months. Mike to highlight in newsletter that people using ranges please put their \$ in. We'll be spending about \$500 to replenish backer boards. 118 keys have been handed out so far. New lock is on gate, but same combination.

Stacey: Women's Field Day Shoot. Still working on securing a date. Mike has names of ladies at club who can help out w/ cowboy type shooting. Possibly a date end of September last week (9/30). Scott placed on the website calendar.

Ron Parker: Will be working ALL weekends in April taking pictures at various events. Easter, Cowboy Shoots, Annual Dinners. **THANK YOU RON !!!**

Tim Hall: Next Hunters Safety in May. Archery status. Mike Tidswell is chairman. First week of April will get together to compile information from other clubs. Fee structures, getting league started, protecting building is big concern. Where will backstop materials be stored. Bottom room for target/equipment storage. Possibly Kevlar netting suspended.

Banquet issues. Need to make sure that donated water will be available and secured. Parking help needed for 60-70 cars potentially. Possibly blocking off middle of parking lot at main building. Possibly purchase roll carpeting for new entrance. Circuits okay to plug in all of the coffee pots in. We have a pole w/ a stand for flag. Terry will check on larger flag.

There will still be a regular Membership Meeting on Tuesday, April 4th.

Terry is going to check on new paper towel machines for to replaced the c-fold towel holders in the main clubhouse. We'll need three machines.

Scott: Lots of inquiries about the upcoming introduction to Trap & Skeet Class on starting on April 12th. Spring pistol league starts Monday, April 17th. See information in the latest newsletter and website. Gordon will follow-up on targets from DisplayPack.

Scott: Membership is currently at 200. If we can get 8 members/month, membership could nearly double in two years. Growth is something we want to discuss at future meetings.

Terry: Kids camp. Glen Bradley is signing kids up. Check MUCC website for details. Full Members pay first half to MUCC. RSC pays second half. Upon completion of the camp RSC will reimburse members for the first half.

Work day Sat April 8th. Grounds work will be done that day. Cleanup can be done around the bldg. on the 1st to help the place look neat for the Dinner. We really need help w/ cleanup prior to the 8th. Also the 25th can be a clean up day if people want to come up and help out.

Meeting adjourned by Chairman Fries 8:30 p.m.

ROCKFORD SPORTSMAN'S CLUB
Regular Meeting Minutes –March 4, 2006

Invocation: Ron Parker

Sherry Betz announced a “Before the May Meeting” dinner of hot dogs, brats, and chips. Dinner at 6:00 PM. Cost is \$5.00.

Special Guest – Jill Goodell – attorney helping with tax situation and 501 C3 status.

7:15 PM Call to Order and Pledges by President George Mayhak

- **Next Board Meeting is April 18 - all members are welcome**
- **Children’s Easter Party Planning in the works. Date is April 15th. Chairperson – Jennie Betz – Please give her a call to let her know your child is coming. 874-9877**
- **A sad note...Please remember your \$2.00 donation to the kitty each day you use the rifle and pistol ranges. Guests are asked to contribute \$5 per hour of shooting. Only \$58 collected last two months. The new backers cost over \$400 and we need to cover the cost of these and also range maintenance.**
- **Good news from Algoma Township. We will retain our current property tax exemption. In addition we are applying for 501 C3 status.**

➤ Minutes from the last regular meeting and board meeting accepted as printed. Motion by Earl Hull supported by Mike Green – approved.

President’s Report:

1. Field Day Champions – from 2005
Terry Eicholtz – Trap and Overall Champion
Rick Schmock – Skeet Champion
Mike Green - Cowboy Action Champion
Scott Fries – Pistol Champion

Secretary’s Report: Terry Stuart:

1. A note was read from Diann Jones thanking the club for the floral arrangement.

Treasurer’s Report: Gordon Pickerd:

- \$65,661
- .81 in all accounts. As of April 4, 2006 Income \$24,092.00 and expenses of \$44,884.44.

Committee Reports:

- Shoots Trap/Skeet doing very well. Trap/Skeet is opened every Sunday from 10 AM on and every Monday and Thursday evening starting at 6 P.M. The Spring League has begun.
- Pistol league starts April 17th.
- Beginning trap and skeet class begins April 12th. Volunteer instructors are needed.
- NSSA Wednesday night events continue on the first Wednesday of each month. There will be a two day shoot on April 22nd and 23rd. Help would be appreciated.
- The next Cowboy shoot will be a two day shoot April 29th and 30th. There were 60 shooters at the April 1st shoot and everyone had a good time. The lunch, as usual, was outstanding. Thanks to Fran and Paul Kazmierski, Dora Jones, Carol Stuart; and Sue Barksdale.
- Work Day will be every Saturday. Much needs to be done to the upkeep of the grounds.
- Sportsmen Against Hunger dinner was held March 14th at Madison Square Sportsmen Club. Rockford won both trophies this year. One for the most food donated and the other for the most cash given. Congratulations everyone and especially our chairman – Mike Green.
- On March 16 the annual collection of donated food for God’s Kitchen was held at the Sport and Boat Show. Our club provided much of the help needed to assist with food collection. For each donation of food on this day a free ticket was given to the Sport and Boat Show. Over 2,000 free tickets were given out and the total food collection was over 32,000 pounds. (Lansing collected less than 2,000 pounds) Way to go West Michigan!!!!
- Gun Raffle – Bob Raines won the \$100 with ticket number 52.
- MUCC – Camp applications have arrived. Glen Bradley is in charge of reservations. Get them in soon as camp dates fill up quickly. So far only Terry Eicholtz’s daughter is planning on attending.
- Mike Roche would like all news items before the 20th of the month to include in the newsletter.

ROCKFORD SPORTSMAN'S CLUB
Regular Meeting Minutes –March 4, 2006

- Sunshine – Mike Reeb is suffering from an attack of Bell's Palsy. We hope for a speedy recovery. Nancy Hull's brother passed away. Our thoughts are with her during this difficult time.
- Publicity/Marketing: No report this evening.
- Food and Beverage: Lisa Harbison requests that you contact her for kitchen needs.
- Apparel: No report this evening.
- Work Hours: Continue to fill out those slips and turn them in. Member Mike Roche is keeping the records up to date.
- Road Clean-Up: No report
- Party Committee: Jennie has announced the Easter Party for Kids will be held on April 15th. Help is welcome.
- Hunter Safety: The April class will be moved to May 8th, 10th, 13th. The August class will be held August 14th, 16th, and 19th. The September class will be September 11th, 13th, and 16th. If interested in helping (you do not need to be an instructor) please contact Bill Skalos – 866-0096. Also, contact him if you have a youngster you would like to register.
- The building dedication and annual dinner is full. 169 confirmed reservations. A good time will be had by all. Tony Gates has arranged for a couple to provide music for the evening. Thank you, Tony!
- April 15th there will be a Turkey seminar at the club for those interested. This will begin at 1:00 PM and the cost is only \$5.00.

Old Business:

1. May 20th the Cub Scouts will be at the club starting at 1:00 PM. Dan Hankinson requests 5 or 6 volunteers to help with the shooting events. A good time will be had! The Scouts shoot rimfire rifles, shotguns and possibly cowboy guns on the cowboy range. Help is appreciated.

New Business:

1. The first reading of the Bylaws revision and the change to the Articles of Incorporation were shared with the members. After discussion Dan Vincent made the motion to approve these changes supported by Earl Hull. Approved.

Open Forum:

- Drawing for T-shirts– Dave Crysler and Al Peterson
- 25/25 Drawing Winners: Dave Crysler and Tony Gates - Both donated their winnings to youth shooting sports. Thank you for being so generous!

Respectfully submitted:

Secretary Terry Stuart

Rockford Sportsman's Club
Board Meeting –April 18, 2006

Board Members Present: President George Mayhak, Vice-President Brad Mullen, Treasurer Gordon Pickerd, Secretary Terry Stuart, Sgt. At Arms Terry Eicholtz, Trustees; Mike Roche, Mike Green, Ron Parker, Stacey Omland and Board Chairman Scott Fries.

Absent: Trustees; Tim Hall, Lisa Harbison and Rick Schmock

Guests: Greg Vander Veer, Jim VanderPloeg, Dan Blain, Lee Zeidler, Dan Spiegel, and Wendy Briggs

Meeting opened at 7:00 by Board Chairman Scott Fries with an invocation by Ron Parker

1. **Special presentation by Lee Zeidler on the Nov. 7 ballot proposal regarding Dove Hunting in Michigan. Much more information to follow. Watch the newsletter.**
2. **Presentation by Greg VerVeer on the first phase of our new sound system.**
3. **Wendy Briggs to pursue the property north of the Club for our original bid.**
4. **A special thank you to Ron Parker for all of the photography work he does for the club and especially for the pictures of couples and individuals at the Building Dedication!!!**
5. **Another BIG thank you to Jennie Betz for putting on a great Easter Party for club children and grand children. Thanks to all who helped with this project as well!!!**

President George Mayhak:

1. There will be a clay target delivery the first week of May. Help is needed. 14 skids of targets are coming.
2. We will be promoting our own fishing and hunting contest at each meeting. Stay tuned.
 - We are looking for an interested Club Member to keep the MUCC magazine informed of upcoming events. This person would also write short articles for the local weekly papers informing the public of upcoming shoots and activities such as Hunter Safety Classes or adult classes promoting the shooting sports. If interested please contact George or a Board member soon.

Treasurer Gordon Pickerd:

1. Treasurer's Report - \$61,085.07 balance in all accounts. Income this year \$30,406.00 and expenses of \$55,775.28.
2. It will take approximately \$30,000 more to complete the construction on the club building. Estimated costs for items are; air conditioning - \$2,500, \$3,000 for entry construction, \$8,000 for stone facing for outside building, \$5,000 for half logs to complete outside siding, \$1,000 to complete roof over kitchen, \$2,500 to complete phase one of the audio.
3. The shoot committee will be building a five-stand to provide another source of income from our great shotgun events.
4. Hunt for the Cure Banquet – information on the banquet to which everyone is invited will be coming soon.
5. Our articles of incorporation have been sent in. This is step one of obtaining a 501 C3 tax status.
6. Promissory notes are coming due for the new building construction. The payback is approximately \$1,000 per month.
7. The Annual Dinner/Building Dedication ended up with a slight positive cash balance. Thanks to all who helped with this important project.
7. Michigan State University is building a world class shooting range to train Olympic shooters. They are looking for donations.
 - Motion made by Mike Green and supported by Terry Stuart to waive the work hour requirement and suspend the dues payment for 2006 for member Chuck Houck who has been ill and in and out of the hospital. Approved
 - Motion made by Mike Green and supported by George Mayhak to waive requirements for 2006 membership for member Cynthia Ferguson. Approved

Secretary Terry Stuart:

1. Beginning Trap/Skeet Class. Dates for the class are April 12th, 19th, and 26th and May 3rd, 10th, and 17th. Help is welcome for instruction each of those nights.
2. Reminder of the beginning pistol class. Dates for this class will be on Wednesdays – June 14th, 21st, and 28th, and July 12th, 19th, and 26th.

Note: Volunteer instructor sign-ups for these classes will be at the regular meetings. You may also contact me at 616-887-9917. All help is welcomed.

3. Presented to the Board was a suggested price list for renting the club to members. The board also discussed the rental price to non-members even though this will take a change in the by-laws to allow this to happen.
 - Motion by George Mayhak and supported by Terry Stuart to approve the rental prices as listed below. Approved

Club Rental Prices

 1. Regular and Retired Members - \$100 per rental
 2. New/Associate Members - \$200 per rental
 3. **Sunday – Thursday** Rental to non-members - \$400
 4. **Friday – Sunday** Rental to non-members - \$800
 5. Kitchen is available for use at \$25.00 extra cost. Renters, including members, must supply their own paper goods.
 6. **All members must supply the club with a liability statement from their home owners insurance before the rental date**

- Motion by Mike Roche and supported by Gordon Pickerd to welcome new members Dan and Antoinette Spiegel. Approved.
- Motion by Gordon Pickerd and supported by George Mayhak to approve phase 1 of the audio system as presented by Greg VerVeer. Approved

Trustee Mike Green:

1. The 1st and 3rd Friday night fun shoots will continue next year with proceeds donated to Sportsmen Against Hunger.
2. The ear plug vendor will be at the two day cowboy shoot. Cost for custom ear plugs - \$35.
3. The next shoot is April 29th and 30th. The next regular monthly shoot will be May 6th.

Trustee Lisa Harbison: (Reminder from previous minutes)

1. Lisa will be the chairperson for the 2006 Cystic Fibrosis Hunt For the Cure field day at our club which is scheduled for August 12. Lisa is looking for suggestions to make our field day even bigger. One suggestion for more fund raising for this fine event is a vendor display area. Since B-97 is heavily promoting this a suggested vendor area price of \$97.00 was suggested.

Trustee Tim Hall: (Reminder from previous minutes)

2. Tim told the Board that everything is in place for our May Hunter Safety Class. Help is needed Monday, May 8th and Wednesday May 10th from 6:00-8:30 PM and Saturday, May 13th from 8:30-5 PM.

Trustee Ron Parker

1. Pictures are posted on the website of the Eater Party. Ron will be taking pictures of the NSSA event scheduled for this weekend.

Trustee Terry Eicholtz

1. Terry announced that the **Range Fee Collection is going much better**. \$55.47 collected for last month. Thank you for remembering your \$1 donation to the pistol range for each use.

Chairman of the Board Scott Fries

1. Scott reported on the meetings of interested archers concerning indoor archery and possible leagues at the club.
2. Gordon suggested that the Scent Lock Company may sponsor part or all of the needed drapes to protect the walls from errant arrows.
3. The Dove Hunting Bill is very important to all members. There will be a lot of money spent by the anti-hunting groups to prohibit this activity. On the other hand, if Dove Hunting is approved it will be allowed in all 83 counties. Interesting fact – Doves are migratory birds (over 475 million – more than all the ducks and geese combined); dove hunting is allowed neither in all states except Alaska (which doesn't have any) nor in the New England states where doves are not found. The only other state which does not allow dove hunting is Iowa because it is the State Bird there. Dove hunting is allowed in California and Hawaii (surprise, surprise!). 41 states allow hunting doves. True fact...if the Humane Society (of Washington DC – checkbook \$100 million dollars) is successful in getting people to vote against dove hunting expect that in 2008 you will see in Michigan bills to prohibit **trapping, archery hunting, and fishing**. This is no joke...lead suppression and other gun and hunting rights will be attacked. We must stop these anti's in their tracks. Buy several sweepstakes tickets at \$5 each to fund the advertising in Michigan that will support hunter interests. (We will have these tickets at every meeting) Very important...every vote counts. Make sure everyone in your family supports hunters and gets out and votes. If you won't be here on Election Day you can request an absentee ballot. More information will be found in upcoming newsletters. Be sure to read and share this information with your friends who enjoy the same privileges that you do.

Other notes:

Willie and Anne Bradley thanked the club for remembering Willie during his recent hand surgery.

Wendy presented an idea for inclusion in the bylaws "To promote hunting, fishing and trapping as tools for the management and wise use of our game and fish." The board will consider this and other recommendations for by-laws revisions at their May meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Terry Stuart:

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ROCKFORD SPORTSMAN'S CLUB
Regular Meeting Minutes –May 2, 2006

Invocation: Tim Hall

Sherry Betz and crew thank you for preparing a dinner of hot dogs, brats, and chips. Dinner next month (June) will be a chicken dinner. Chicken supplied by Paul and Fran Kazmierski. Dinner at 6:00 PM.

- 7:15 PM Call to Order and Pledges by President George Mayhak

- **Next Board Meeting is May 16 - all members are welcome**
- **New members: Steven and Melody Hollowel, Bruce and Linda Slater, and Raymond and Christine Cooper – motion by Dan Vincent supported by Terry Eicholtz – Approved**
- **Members moved from new status to regular members are; Shawn and Imogene Wiers, Steve and Tammy Veldkamp, and Glen and Cynthia VanOrman. Motion by Ron Parker supported by Floyd Abott – Approved**
- **Extra help is needed for the May 13th afternoon session of Hunter Safety. You do not need to be an instructor to help with this.**
- **Thank you to Scott Fries who helped assemble these minutes.**

- Minutes from the last regular meeting and board meeting accepted as printed. Motion by Mike Green supported by Wendy Briggs – approved.

President's Report:

1. Watch the newsletter for information on the fish contest for adults and children and also the big buck and turkey contests.

Secretary's Report: Terry Stuart:

1. Our certificate of amendment to the articles of incorporation has been approved by the state and returned to us. A copy will be kept with the secretary's minutes and the original will be kept in the club safe.
2. See Ron Parker to pick up your photo from the annual dinner and building dedication. Enlargements are available at a nominal cost.

Treasurer's Report: Gordon Pickerd:

1. Total assets in all accounts - \$69,774.03 with income as of May 2, 2006 of \$41,734.76 and expenses of \$58,415.38.
2. Scholarship fund has been moved to another mutual fund where it will grow more steadily. It currently has over a \$10,000 balance.

Committee Reports:

- NSSA reported 22 shooters each day for the 2 day event. This earned the club \$2,020.00. Thanks to Dan Vincent and all who helped put this on.
- **Semi-load of 28 skids of birds to be delivered on Wednesday this week. Help is welcome!**
- The pistol league continues each week with 23 shooters for this 8 week event. It is not too late to join in on the fun. Each Monday evening at 6:30 PM.
- Beginning trap and skeet class continues for two more weeks. Help is welcome.
- NSSA Wednesday night events continue on the first Wednesday of each month.
- The last Cowboy shoot was a two day shoot. There were over 50 shooters each day. The lunches and Saturday banquet was outstanding. Thanks to Fran and Paul Kazmierski, Dora Jones, Cindy Van Orman, Pat Green, Carol Stuart; and Sue Barksdale for all of their efforts. Paige, Samantha, and Kendra also get a big thank you for helping clean up at the end of the shoot. Income of around \$2,500.00 was earned during this event with a net of around \$1,500.00 after all expenses are paid. (As Carol would say...A good time was had by all!)
- The next regular cowboy shoot will be Saturday, May 6th. All ranges closed. There will be 3 special "Bare Bones" cowboy shoots on the Sundays of Round Robin. Cost is \$10 with no lunch. Dates are June 11th, July 30th, and August 13th.
- Archery committee should have a report for the next board meeting.
- Work Day will be Saturday May 13th from 8:00 AM until noon. Much needs to be done to the upkeep of the grounds.
- Gun Raffle – Dan Smith won the over/under sporting clays shotgun with ticket #123.
- MUCC – The District 5 meeting was held recently. Turkey permits are available until May 5th. Bear hunting permits are available until May 15th. People sighting bears are asked to contact the local DNR office with the information.
- Mike Roche would like all news items before the 20th of the month to include in the newsletter.
- Sunshine – Chris Harbison's grandfather recently passed away. Our thoughts are with the family during this difficult time.

ROCKFORD SPORTSMAN'S CLUB
Regular Meeting Minutes –May 2, 2006

- **Publicity/Marketing:** No report this evening.
- **Food and Beverage:** Lisa Harbison requests that you contact her for kitchen needs.
- **Apparel:** Shirts are in. When Bernie has orders for 12 hats or 4 more shirts he will submit the order.
- **Work Hours:** Continue to fill out those slips and turn them in. Member Mike Roche is keeping the records up to date.
- **Youth Shooters** met at South Kent recently. Rockford had 8 shooters participating and South Kent had 14. Slight advantage in Trap (4 targets) to South Kent but a larger advantage to Rockford in Skeet (30 targets). Next shoot will be held at our club on May 19th.
- **Road Clean-Up:** Our road section has been changed to 12 mile road to 13 mile road. Dates for the clean-up are May 11th, (Thursday), July 28th, and September 28th. Clean-up begins at 6:00 PM.
- **Hunter Safety:** The next class will be held on May 8th, 10th, 13th. The August class will be held August 14th, 16th, and 19th. The September class will be September 11th, 13th, and 16th. If interested in helping (you do not need to be an instructor) please contact Bill Skallos – 866-0096. Also, contact him if you have a youngster you would like to register.
- **Scholarships** to be awarded at the next Board meeting. Tom Smith has two applicants to consider. Tom also reported on the Wildlife Encounters the club sponsors that were held in Rockford and Northview recently.
- **After the Hunt For The Cure** event on August 12th, Carol and Ford Alison will prepare a Bar-B-Que dinner for all helpers. You don't want to miss this.
- **Cub Scout** shoot will be held May 20th. Contact Bill Skallos or Dan Hankinson if you can help.
- **Tree give-away** at Van's Pines to Sportsmen Clubs will be held May 20th. Each club can receive up to 300 free trees. White pine, red oak, and autumn olive will be among the trees given away. Contact Wendy Briggs if you are able to help with this.
- **Building and Grounds:** Important projects.
 1. Need to have cement poured by main entrance.
 2. By mid May the roofing over the kitchen needs to be removed and new shingles applied.
 3. Need help with the stonework for the bottom half of the building before the half logs can be applied.
 4. The ceiling (east half) needs a coat of sealer.

Old Business:

1. May 20th the Cub Scouts will be at the club starting at 1:00 PM. Dan Hankinson requests 5 or 6 volunteers to help with the shooting events. A good time will be had! The Scouts shoot rimfire rifles, shotguns and possibly cowboy guns on the cowboy range. Help is appreciated.

New Business:

1. The second reading of the Bylaws revision and the change to the Articles of Incorporation were shared with the members. After discussion Terry Stuart made the motion to approve these changes supported by Terry Eicholtz. Approved.

Open Forum:

- Drawing for T-shirts–
- 25/25 Drawing Winners: George Peterson and Scott Fries

Respectfully submitted:

Secretary Terry Stuart

Rockford Sportsman's Club
Board Meeting –May 16, 2006

Board Members Present: President George Mayhak, Vice-President Brad Mullen, Treasurer Gordon Pickerd, Secretary Terry Stuart, Sgt. At Arms Terry Eicholtz, Trustees; Mike Roche, Lisa Harbison, Rick Schmock and Board Chairman Scott Fries.

Absent: Trustees; Tim Hall, Mike Green, Ron Parker, and Stacey Omland

Guests: Tom Smith – Scholarship Chairman

Meeting opened at 7:00 by Board Chairman Scott Fries.

1. **Revised Award Plaque for all who gave much time and effort into construction of the new addition. Many thanks to Mark Bivins of Creative Concepts.**
2. **Committee appointed by the president to decide what and where items to be placed on walls in clubhouse and addition. Members: Dan Vincent, Terry Stuart, and Lisa Harbison – if it goes on the wall these are the folks to contact first.**
3. **Terry Stuart presented information about a Crossman target range. It was well received by the Board.**
4. **June 3 (Saturday) and June 4 (Sunday) roofing project. Need all who can help. Lunch will be provided on Saturday.**
5. **June 10 (Saturday) rain date and finishing day, if necessary, for roof over kitchen.**

President George Mayhak:

1. Full truck load of targets received. We got a better price on targets by purchasing a truck load. We have sold 3 skids of targets to other area clubs. We also received free targets because of our large order.

Treasurer Gordon Pickerd:

1. Treasurer's Report - \$67,590.20 balance in all accounts. Income this year \$47,979.79 and expenses of \$67,337.42.
2. The stone estimate for the new addition will be less than \$4,000.
3. Information has been sent in to the feds regarding our request for a 501 C3 tax status.
4. Promissory notes are coming due for the new building construction. The payback is approximately \$1,000 per month.
5. Cowboys turned in over \$2,500 from their last two shoots and trap/skeet has been averaging about \$2,200 per month.

Secretary Terry Stuart:

1. Reminder of the beginning pistol class. Dates for this class will be on Wednesdays – June 14th, 21st, and 28th, and July 5th, 12th, and 19th. **Note: Volunteer instructor sign-ups for these classes will be at the regular meetings. You may also contact me at 616-887-9917. All help is welcomed.**

Trustee Lisa Harbison:

1. Lisa inquired about the status of 5-stand. Discussion followed primarily about the need for additional help to run same. This is still in the works.

Trustee Mike Roche:

1. Needs articles for the newsletter.
2. Mike informed the board that we will be paying our MUCC Dues - \$15 per member for a total of \$2,850.

Trustee Rick Schmock:

1. The Junior Trap/Skeet competition between South Kent and Rockford concludes this Friday night with hot dogs and fixings.

Scholarship Award:

1. Tom Smith presented two nominees for the 2006 Scholarship award. Ben Zoppa is pursuing a Fire Science degree with minor studies in Environmental Science, Chemistry, and Biology while Brian Wildey is pursuing an Environmental Science major with a minor in Fisheries Biology.
 - After discussion Gordon Pickerd made the motion to accept these two applicants. Terry Stuart supported the motion. Carried. Scholarship amounts are \$250 for each student.
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Chairman of the Board Scott Fries

1. We are looking for someone to replace Lisa Harbison for kitchen supply duties. If interested let George Mayhak or Scott know.
2. The pistol league is going very well with 28 shooters. The league turned over \$500 to the club so far.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary Terry Stuart:

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ROCKFORD SPORTSMAN'S CLUB
Regular Meeting Minutes –June 6, 2006

Invocation: Tim Hall

Sherry Betz and crew thank you for preparing a dinner of chicken and fixings.

7:15 PM Call to Order and Pledges by President George Mayhak

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE WEDNESDAY, JULY 5TH. MARK THIS ON YOUR CALENDARS!

- **Next Board Meeting is June 20 - all members are welcome**
- **The new shingles are on the kitchen roof thanks to the hard work of Bill Plambeck, Gordon Pickerd, Dan Vincent, Brad Baldwin, Mike Roche, Gary Peterson, and Tim Hall. Thanks for a Super Job!!!**
- **Tom Smith introduced scholarship recipients Ben Zoppa and Brian Wildey. We wish them well in their academic endeavors.**
- **June 13th 7-8 PM Clubhouse and June 17th 9-4 PM Concealed Pistol Class. Instructor Terry Stuart and Ken Ray. Pistol Range used 1-3 PM on Saturday, June 17th.**
- **June 14th Beginning Pistol Class – Rockford Community Education – contact Terry Stuart.**
- **New Members: Charlie and Laurie Waterman and Adam Chambers. Moved to Full Member Status – Tim Tobin. Moved from full member to Retired Member – Gordon and Sharon Pickerd. Motion by Mike Roche supported by Wendy Briggs. Approved.**

- Minutes from the last regular meeting and board meeting accepted as printed. Motion by Wendy Briggs supported by Glen Bradley – approved.

President's Report:

1. Mike Miller presented information on the 2nd annual D.A.R.E. Golf Outing which will be held on Thursday, June 29th. This program helps assist children make healthy life choices. This fund raiser will help ensure the continuation of the D.A.R.E. program in the Rockford area. If you don't wish to golf, sponsors are sought. Make checks payable to Rockford D.A.R.E. and mail to Dave Robinson, 7 South Monroe St., Rockford, MI, 49341. Questions? 616-866-9557.
2. Bob Anaya presented two members of Explorer Post 2610. Lisa Johnson and Joe Hoekstra thanked the club for allowing them to meet and use the facilities. Bob presented the club with an appreciation plaque which will be hung soon.
3. Willis Bradley presented a donated tri-pod for sight-in day use. This was given to him by Gerald Hoekstra for our use. Thanks Gerald and Willie!!!
4. July 15th and 16th will be the District 5 Shoot at West Walker. Dan Hankinson will be in charge of sign-ups for teams for this event. The club picks up half the cost for each shooter to participate.

Secretary's Report: Terry Stuart:

1. The Internal Revenue Service as acknowledged receipt of our application for exemption from federal income tax. We can expect to hear within 120 days.
2. A thank you was received and read to the membership regarding our donation to the after-grad party at Rockford Schools.
3. We received a thank you from Mrs. Babcock's and Mrs. Bakita's 4th grade classes at Crestwood Elementary for their Tracks Magazines. We also got pictures of their spring animal learning centers.
4. Cub Pack 3264 sent their thanks for the hot dog lunch and shooting experience that the cub scouts enjoyed on May 20. A big thank you to all who helped with this project.
5. See Ron Parker to pick up your photo from the annual dinner and building dedication. Enlargements are available at a nominal cost.

Treasurer's Report: Gordon Pickerd:

1. Total assets in all accounts - \$61,631.99 with income as of June 6, 2006 of \$51,503.78 and expenses of \$76,819.52.

Committee Reports:

- The pistol league finishes on Monday June 12th with 29 shooters for this 8 week event. The summer pistol league begins on June 19th.
- The Summer trap and skeet league begins on Monday and Thursday (6-9 PM) after Father's Day.
- Beginning pistol class begins on June 14th. Help is welcome.

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Regular Meeting Minutes –June 6, 2006

- NSSA Wednesday night events continue on the first Wednesday of each month.
- The last Cowboy shoot had 84 shooters, two short of our all time record. Great time..Good food. Come and enjoy!
- There will be 3 special “Bare Bones” cowboy shoots on the Sundays of Round Robin. Cost is \$10 with no lunch. Dates are June 11th, July 30th, and August 13th. The next regular cowboy shoot will be Saturday, July 1st. All ranges closed.
- Archery committee should have a report for the next board meeting. Mike and Bill are building a sample archery target for consideration. Archery league to begin in August.
- Gun Raffle – Brad Mullen won the Remington 20 gauge sporting clay shotgun with ticket # 073.
- MUCC – The annual tree give away was held recently and was a huge success with over 27,000 trees and shrubs given away to clubs. Thanks to all who helped with this project.
- Mike Roche would like all news items before the 20th of the month to include in the newsletter.
 - Sunshine – Dave Scribner’s father passed recently. Rhonda McCullough is going to have surgery Friday.
 - Publicity/Marketing: No report this evening.
 - Food and Beverage: Nancy Hull – 617-9264 will be the new chairperson with assistance from Steve Milano – 6-6-899-4590. Contact Nancy first with your needs.
 - Apparel: Shirts are in. When Bernie has orders for 12 hats or 4 more shirts he will submit the order.
 - Work Hours: Continue to fill out those slips and turn them in. Member Mike Roche is keeping the records up to date.
 - Road Clean-Up: Our road section has been changed to 12 mile road to 13 mile road. Dates for the clean-up are July 28th, and September 28th. Clean-up begins at 6:00 PM.
 - Hunter Safety: The next class be held on August 14th, 16th, and 19th. The September class will be September 11th, 13th, and 16th. If interested in helping (you do not need to be an instructor) please contact Bill Skallos – 866-0096. Also, contact him if you have a youngster you would like to register.
 - After the Hunt For The Cure event on August 12th, Carol and Ford Alison will prepare a Bar-B-Que dinner for all helpers. You don’t want to miss this.
 - Building and Grounds: Important projects.
 1. Need to have cement poured by main entrance.
 2. Need help with the stonework for the bottom half of the building before the half logs can be applied.
 3. The ceiling (east half) needs a coat of sealer.

Old Business:

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New Business:

- 1.

Open Forum:

- Drawing for T-shirts– Terry Stuart and Glen Gomery
- 25/25 Drawing Winners: Jim Denison and Greg VerVeer

Respectfully submitted:

Secretary Terry Stuart

Rockford Sportsman's Club
Board Meeting – June 20, 2006

Board Members Present: President George Mayhak, Vice-President Brad Mullen, Treasurer Gordon Pickerd, Secretary Terry Stuart, Sgt. At Arms Terry Eicholtz, Trustees; Mike Roche, Lisa Harbison, Rick Schmock, Mike Green, Ron Parker, Stacey Omland and Board Chairman Scott Fries.

Absent: Trustees; Tim Hall,

Guests: Roxanne Buhl – Publications Chairman

Meeting opened at 7:10 by Board Chairman Scott Fries.

Invocation – Ron Parker

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Reminder – next regular meeting is Wednesday, July 5th.2. Last one out – please remember to lock the gate. Also, remember to shut off the lights in the building when done.3. Edward and Kristin Meyette nominated for membership – T. Stuart/Brad Mullen – Approved4. Chris and Jill Shaible nominated for membership – Mike Roche/George Mayhak – Approved5. Hunt for the Cure – planning meeting – Monday June 26th – 7:00 PM – Main Clubhouse |
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President George Mayhak:

1. Motion made by Gordon Pickerd and supported by Ron Parker to define policy on building rental:
 - A person must be a regular member and belong to the club for one calendar year to be eligible to rent the club at members' rates. Approved
2. The 100 yard range has been rebuilt. Thanks to all who participated in this project.
3. The cement for the entry of the clubhouse is finished. Your regular key will open the door. (Thanks to Gordon Pickerd and all who assisted.)
4. George now has the names of deceased former members for the memorial plaque. He will contact Dave Crysler and see if he will have the names inscribed on the Club's Memorial.

Treasurer Gordon Pickerd:

1. Treasurer's Report - \$62,212.48 balance in all accounts. Income this year \$54,527.29 and expenses of \$79,262.64.
2. Terry Stuart presented the club with a check for the beginning trap and skeet class with payment directly to the club for one participant totaling **\$946.25**.
3. Scott Fries presented payment for the Spring Pistol league totaling **\$508.00** and for the Summer Pistol League totaling **\$285.00**.
4. Cowboys turned in over \$160 from their last fun shoot on Sunday, June 11th. The next date for one of these fun shoots will be Sunday, July 30.
5. We had three insufficient fund checks returned from the last Hunter Safety. Gordon will request payment from these folks with a bank check.
6. We received a very nice letter from Gary M. Gorski, Captain and Distric Commander of the West Region Field Services Bureau thanking the club for allowing the State Police to use our range. The Sixth District Headquarters, the Rockford Post, the Grand Rapids forensic Laboratory, and the Emergency Support Team train regularly at our club.

Secretary Terry Stuart:

1. Reminder of the beginning pistol class. Dates for this class will be on Wednesdays, June 21st, and 28th, and July 12th, 19th, 26th.
2. Note: Volunteer instructor sign-ups for these classes will be at the regular meetings. You may also contact me at 616-887-9917. All help is welcomed.

Trustee Lisa Harbison:

1. Lisa announced a committee meeting on Monday, June 26th at 7:00 PM for planning the Hunt for the Cure Field Day.

Trustee Mike Roche:

1. Needs articles for the newsletter.

Trustee Rick Schmock:

1. The Junior Trap/Skeet competition between South Kent and Rockford is over with our club winning both the skeet and trap competition and high overall. Outstanding!!! Congratulations to all the participants. The awards are in the shoot building.

Trustee Ron Parker:

1. Ron has put 77 galleries with 6,436 pictures of club activities on that web site. It needs to be enlarged to hold more activities.
2. After discussion a motion was made by George Mayhak and supported by Gordon Pickerd to spend \$100 to increase the space to approximately twice its current size. Mike Green asked that the Cowboy Fund be used for half of this amount as many of the pictures are of cowboy events. Motion carried.

Chairman of the Board Scott Fries

1. Led discussion and suggestions for additional public notices of club events. Roxanne Buhl is in charge of submitting information to local news media. There will be a form on our web site that you can fill out and it will be e-mailed to Roxanne and she will see that it gets published.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary Terry Stuart:

SPECIAL REMINDER – WORK HOUR SLIPS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE PAVILLION AND THE CLUB HOUSE AND THE SHOOT BUILDING OR ONLINE FORM AT OUR WEBSITE UNDER MEMBERSHIP - WORK HOUR FORMS. IT IS THE MEMBERS' RESPONSIBILITY TO FILL THESE OUT ON A REGULAR AND TIMELY BASIS.

ROCKFORD SPORTSMAN'S CLUB
Regular Meeting Minutes –July 5, 2006

Invocation: George Mayhak

7:15 PM Call to Order and Pledges by President George Mayhak

Hunt For A Cure Field Day – August 12 – 10 AM -5:00 PM. Help is needed – call Lisa Harbison – 648-5005.

- **Next Board Meeting is July 18th - all members are welcome**
- **Beginning Pistol Class – July 6th and 12th Rockford Community Education – 6-8 PM**
- **New Members: George and Pamela Anderson, Douglas and Mary Babcock, Charles and Rebecca Bray, Scott and Charlene Martin, and James and Linda Kovach. Motion by Mike Roche/supported by Gordon Pickerd to accept these folks as new members. Approved**
- **Moved from full member to Retired Member – Bill Blain. Motion by Mike Roche supported by Terry Stuart. Approved.**

➤ Minutes from the last regular meeting and board meeting accepted as printed. Motion by Gordon Pickerd and supported by Anne Bradley– approved.

President's Report:

1. July 15th and 16th will be the District 5 Shoot at West Walker. Dan Hankinson will be in charge of sign-ups for teams for this event. The club picks up half the cost for each shooter to participate.

Secretary's Report: Terry Stuart:

1. Scott Fries sent a memo to inform members that the annual Fly Hunt will be August 6, Sunday from 12-3PM. Hunters may place their "bait" before this time to attract flies!

Treasurer's Report: Gordon Pickerd:

1. Total assets in all accounts - \$59,650.05 with income as of July 5, 2006 of \$58,188.88 and expenses of \$85,486.66.

Committee Reports:

- The Summer trap and skeet league continues on Monday and Thursday evenings(6-9 PM).
- NSSA Wednesday night events continue on the first Wednesday of each month.
- The last Cowboy shoot had 40 shooters, Great time..Good food. Come and enjoy!
- There will be 3 special "Bare Bones" cowboy shoots on the Sundays of Round Robin. Cost is \$10 with no lunch. Dates are July 30th, and August 13th. The next regular cowboy shoot will be Saturday, August 5th. All ranges closed.
- Archery committee should have a report for the next board meeting. Mike and Bill are building a sample archery target for consideration. Archery league to begin in August.
- Gun Raffle – Ticket #248 – Chris Harbison, Ticket #8 – Leon Hollowell, #153 – Dan Kain all won a rimfire rifle.
- MUCC – Wendy and Donna attended the MUCC Convention. Wendy brought information about the upcoming "Dove Hunting" proposal which will be on the November ballot.
- Mike Roche would like all news items before the 20th of the month to include in the newsletter.
 - Sunshine –Rhonda McCullough is recovering from surgery. Tom Smith's mother passed away. Cynthia VanOrman and Pauline Vincent are to undergo surgery soon. Our thoughts and prayers are with these members.
 - Publicity/Marketing: Articles about Hunt For A Cure will be appearing soon in local papers.
 - Food and Beverage: Nancy Hull – 617-9264 will be the new chairperson with assistance from Steve Milano – 6-6-899-4590. Contact Nancy first with your needs.
 - Apparel: Sweatshirts are in. Bernie is working on an order for logo t-shirts. See him if interested.
 - Work Hours: Continue to fill out those slips and turn them in. Member Mike Roche is keeping the records up to date.
 - Hunter Safety: The next class be held on August 14th, 16th, and 19th. The September class will be September 11th, 13th, and 16th. If interested in helping (you do not need to be an instructor) please contact Bill Skallos – 866-0096. Also, contact him if you have a youngster you would like to register.
- **After the Hunt For The Cure event on August 12th, Carol and Ford Alison will prepare a Bar-B-Que dinner for all helpers and anyone else who is interested. You don't want to miss this.**

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Regular Meeting Minutes –July 5, 2006

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- Building and Grounds: Important projects.
 1. Need help with the stonework for the bottom half of the building before the half logs can be applied.
 2. The ceiling (east half) needs a coat of sealer.

Old Business:

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New Business:

- 1.

Open Forum:

- Drawing for T-shirts– Bill Plambeck and
- 25/25 Drawing Winners: John Damoth and Barb DeCan

Respectfully submitted:

Secretary Terry Stuart

Rockford Sportsman's Club
Board Meeting –July 18, 2006

Board Members Present: President George Mayhak, , Treasurer Gordon Pickerd, Secretary Terry Stuart, Sgt.At Arms Terry Eicholtz, Trustees; Mike Roche, Lisa Harbison, Rick Schmock, Mike Green, Ron Parker,

Absent: Vice-President Brad Mullen, Trustees; Tim Hall, Stacey Omland and Board Chairman Scott Fries.

Guests: Gary Dredge, Percy Haywood

Meeting opened at 7:10 by President George Mayhak.

Invocation – Ron Parker

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Last one out – please remember to lock the gate. Also, remember to shut off the lights in the building when done.2. Percy and Esther Haywood and Robert and Natalie Andrus nominated for membership – Mike Roche/Mike Green – Approved3. Hunt for the Cure – planning meeting – Every Monday – 7:00 PM – Main Clubhouse |
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Member Gary Dredge:

1. September 30, Saturday – Sight-In Day for handicapped. This is just before the special handicapped hunt. Gary will be the chair for this event. Members are encouraged to help. Motion by Gordon Pickerd supported by Terry Stuart – Approved.

Trustee Rick Schmock:

1. The lumber for the new entrance is going to be available tomorrow. Gordon to pick up.
2. Clay targets are getting hard to get. George to put in order now for October.
3. Trap machine needs some work. Perhaps new relays will help.

Trustee Mike Green:

1. Special Cowboy Shoot, July 30. Regular shoot on August 5th.

President George Mayhak:

1. Our club participated with 5 teams in the recent MUCC District 5 shoot.
Winning Trap A and Skeet A
Team Members – Dan Hankinson, Terry Eicholtz, Dan Vincent, Dan Schmock, George Mayhak
Winning Trap B
Team Members – Kevin Kubiszewski, Dan Hankinson Jr., Dave Scrivener, Terry Stuart, Lee Sterns
High Overall Trap – Terry Eicholtz
High Gun Overall – Terry Eicholtz

Treasurer Gordon Pickerd:

1. Treasurer's Report - \$59,627.31 balance in all accounts. Income this year \$61,232.33 and expenses of \$88,107.70.
2. Pat Counts reports that the air conditioner for the new addition will be here soon and that he will help with the stone on the front of the building.
3. **Grounds – Lots to do before August 12th. Examples – all windows washed, grass cut, trimming around buildings done, weeds pulled in flower beds, bathrooms cleaned. Whenever you have some time – please help!!!!**

Secretary Terry Stuart:

1. Terry contacted a Masonic Group who may provide child ID services at the Hunt for a Cure – no cost to parents. Also there is a good chance that a Sparta Scout troop will be coming to this event with a dunk tank.

Trustee Lisa Harbison:

1. Lisa announced that flyers are made announcing the Hunt For A Cure Field Day. She distributed them to Board members to place in stores advertising our event.

Trustee Mike Roche:

1. Needs articles for the newsletter.

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Terry Stuart:

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ROCKFORD SPORTSMAN'S CLUB
Regular Meeting Minutes –August 1, 2006

Invocation: George Mayhak

7:15 PM Call to Order and Pledges by President George Mayhak

Hunt For A Cure Field Day – August 12 – 10 AM -5:00 PM. Help is needed – call Lisa Harbison – 648-5005. Help is still being sought for several of the “stations.” See list below of who to contact.

▪ **Next Board Meeting is August 15th - all members are welcome**

- Minutes from the last regular meeting and board meeting accepted as printed. Motion by Bernie Sobie and supported by Bill Blain– approved.

President's Report:

1. The District 5 Shoot at West Walker went well. Thank you to Dan Hankinson for signing up the teams. As you probably know Rockford won Trap and Skeet – Class A and also Trap Class B. High skeet, High Trap, High Overall was our own Terry Eicholtz.

Secretary's Report: Terry Stuart:

1. A card was received from Tom Smith thanking the club for the planter. Tom's mother passed away recently.

Treasurer's Report: Gordon Pickerd:

1. Total assets in all accounts - \$51,627.33 with income as of August 1, 2006 of \$63,698.88 and expenses of \$98,573.78.
2. The air conditioner should be in place in the new addition before August 12th.

Committee Reports:

- The Summer trap and skeet league continues on Monday and Thursday evenings (6-9 PM).
- Curt Becker announced that the annual Fly Hunt will be August 6, Sunday from 12-3PM. Hunters may place their “bait” before this time to attract flies!
- NSSA Wednesday night events continue on the first Wednesday of each month.
- The next Cowboy shoot will be the annual Hawaiian Shoot. Great time. Good food. Come and enjoy!
- There will be one more special “Bare Bones” cowboy shoots on August 13th. All ranges closed.
- Archery committee should have a report for the next board meeting. Mike and Bill built a sample archery target for consideration at a cost of \$152.00. Three more will be built at a cost of approximately \$375.00. Archery league to begin soon.
- Gun Raffle – Ticket #145 – Dan Hankinson the winner of \$100.00.
- MUCC – Donna brought a copy of the resolutions acted on at the MUCC Convention.
- Mike Roche would like all news items before the 20th of the month to include in the newsletter.
- Sunshine –Pauline Vincent underwent surgery and is recovering nicely. Kathy Gates will be facing surgery soon. Our thoughts and prayers are with these members.
- Publicity/Marketing: Advertising for Hunt For A Cure are currently in local papers – Advance, Rockford Squire and Rockford Independent.
- Food and Beverage: Nancy Hull – 617-9264 will be the new chairperson. Contact Nancy first with your needs. Please don't wait until the last minute. Give her some advance notice.
- Apparel: Bernie is working on an order for hats. See him if interested.
- Work Hours: Continue to fill out those slips and turn them in. Member Mike Roche is keeping the records up to date.
- Hunter Safety: The next class be held on August 14th, 16th, and 19th. The September class will be September 11th, 13th, and 16th. If interested in helping (you do not need to be an instructor) please contact Bill Skallos – 866-0096. Also, contact him if you have a youngster you would like to register.
- **After the Hunt For The Cure event on August 12th, Carol and Ford Alison will prepare a Bar-B-Que dinner for all helpers and anyone else who is interested. You don't want to miss this.**
- Building and Grounds: Important projects.
 1. Need help with the stonework for the bottom half of the building before the half logs can be applied.

ROCKFORD SPORTSMAN'S CLUB
Regular Meeting Minutes –August 1, 2006

Old Business:

1. Hunt for the Cure
 - A. Canopies (at least 5) needed by August 11th.
 - B. 6:00 PM Friday, August 11th setup for Field Day.
 - C. Helpers...Skeet – Rick Schmock 866-0439, Trap – Dan Hankinson 784-1948, 5 Stand – George Mayhak 874-9226, Archery – Bill Skallos 866-0096, .22 Rifle – Floyd Abbott 989-831-8268, Pistol – Brad Mullen 866-9884, Black Powder – Curt Becker 616-696-3248, Cowboys – Mike Green 363-2827, Parking – Steve Hoving 364-6260.
 - D. **Extra helpers always appreciated!!!!!!**
 - E. Grounds Preparation – Gordon Pickerd 866-9055.
 - F. Chairperson – Lisa Harbison@alticor.com

New Business:

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Open Forum:

- Drawing for T-shirt– John Janson
- 25/25 Drawing Winners: Jim Denison and Mike Roche lucky winners.

Respectfully submitted:

Secretary Terry Stuart

Rockford Sportsman's Club
Board Meeting –July 18, 2006

Board Members Present: President George Mayhak, Treasurer Gordon Pickerd, Secretary Terry Stuart, Sgt.At Arms Terry Eicholtz, Trustees; Mike Roche, Rick Schmock, Tim Hall, Stacey Omland and Board Chairman Scott Fries.,

Absent: Vice-President Brad Mullen, Trustees, Lisa Harbison, Mike Green, and Ron Parker.

Guests: Dave Hinkle, Glenn Meyers, Marie DeRegnaucourt, Jeff DeRegnaucourt

Meeting opened at 7:10 by President George Mayhak.

Invocation – Tim Hall

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Last one out – please remember to lock the gate. Also, remember to shut off the lights in the building when done.2. Keith and Dawn Shantz nominated for membership – Mike Roche/Terry Stuart – Approved3. Members Gary Peterson and Gary DeCan recommended for full membership – George Mayhak/Gordon Pickerd – Approved.4. A BIG Thank you to Earl and Nancy Hull for their very generous donation to allow for the completion of the archery targets.5. A Happy Birthday to Trustee Stacy Omland (8/16). No rust on a '77 model! |
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Reminder from last month:

Member Gary Dredge: 616-785-9264 – to sign up to help – Thank you in advance.

1. September 30, Saturday – Sight-In Day for handicapped. This is just before the special handicapped hunt. Gary will be the chair for this event. Members are encouraged to help. Motion by Gordon Pickerd supported by Terry Stuart – Approved.

Junior Olympic Archery Development Program (JOAD) – presentation by our guests. Program to begin in November and shoot once a week (Saturday – AM) through the middle of April. Each shooter to pay \$5 per week - \$3.00 to Club and \$2.00 to organization for targets and other materials. All three instructors are certified to teach this course. Presentation at next regular meeting. Motion to approve at Board level and send to membership made by George Mayhak and supported by Terry Eicholtz. Motion carried.

**See attachment to tonight's agenda for information on this program.

Trustee Rick Schmock:

1. Rick has the half-logs for the outside of the building.
2. Rick will be helping to run sight-in days on November 4th and 5th and November 11th and 12th. Sign-ups for help on this project will begin in September at the regular meeting.

President George Mayhak:

1. George brought plastic for archery stops. He will continue to bring bags of the material until we have enough for all targets.

Treasurer Gordon Pickerd:

1. Gordon reviewed the budget items for this year. Income in most areas is below expectations. Cowboys are meeting budget but most other areas need help. The Board spent quite a bit of time brainstorming how to increase income to meet expected expenses. George will discuss this with the membership. Remember to put your dollar in the container when using the range. Also remember to log in when you come to shoot trap/skeet during the week. This is very important.
2. The trap machine has been taken to Tyler Trap for repair. Gordon and Dan Vincent are doing this.

Secretary Terry Stuart:

1. A card was received from Pauline Vincent thanking the club for the flowers and many cards and calls after her recent surgery.
2. Doug Babcock's wife, Mary, is in the hospital. Our thoughts and prayers are with her and her family.
3. Suggested that the first committee to be formed if we do another field day for Hunt For A Cure would be the clean-up committee.
4. Suggested the Board grant a little latitude in rent charged for our banquet facility as it is not quite finished. Motion by George Mayhak and supported by Rick Schmock. Approved.
5. As the Hunter Safety class is large (77+ students) and several instructors are unable to attend Saturday's class – requested help from the board with outside activities. Stacey and Gordon and possibly Mike will help if they are able. Thanks!

Trustee Lisa Harbison:

1. Lisa was at a meeting this evening with the Hunt For A Cure people. She will return with a report on how we did at our field day.

Trustee Mike Roche:

1. Needs articles for the newsletter by the 20th of the month. Recommended Gary Peterson and Gary DeCan for full membership. Also presented new members Keith and Dawn Shantz.

BUDGET MEETING / DISCUSSION WILL BE THE BOARD MEETING ON NOVEMBER 21ST STARTING AT 6:00 PM. Please submit budget requests in writing with detailed list of your needs for 2007 and also an estimated income for your activity. Specifically the Board needs information from Trap/Skeet, Pistol, Cowboys, Hunter Safety, Archery, and any other activity requiring Budget Expenditures. As money is tight – all areas of the budget will receive scrutiny and some may have to be curtailed or reduced depending on what income we are going to see. Make your wishes known early as latecomers may be disappointed to discover that their project may not be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary Terry Stuart:

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Rockford Sportsman's Club
Board Meeting –Sept.19, 2006

Board Members Present: President George Mayhak, Vice-President Brad Mullen, Treasurer Gordon Pickerd, Secretary Terry Stuart, Sgt. At Arms Terry Eicholtz, Trustees; Mike Roche, Rick Schmock, Tim Hall, Ron Parker, Lisa Harbison, Stacey Omland and Board Chairman Scott Fries.,

Absent:, Trustees, , Mike Green

Guests: Peter Kreutzfeldt, Lisa Baldwin, Bill Skallos

Meeting opened at 7:10 by Chairman Scott Fries

Invocation – Tim Hall

1. **Board approved (Gordon Pickerd/Terry Eicholtz) motion to participate in four gun shows. Dates are Oct. 28-29, Dec. 16-17, Jan. 20-21, March 3-4. Peter Kreutzfeldt is the chairman – call 340-2375 to help. Sign-ups for the October show at the next meeting.**
2. **The November Board Meeting will be held on November 21st – normal day – starting at 6:00 PM. All budget requests are due in writing – please make copies for all board members. Thank you!**
3. A chairperson is needed for two important committees. The children's Halloween and Christmas party needs a chairperson as does next year's Hunt for the Cure – Field Day. If interested please let George Mayhak or a Board Member know.

Chairman Scott Fries:

1. Display pack has given the club a large amount of targets. Our thanks to them for this donation.

Vice-President Brad Mullens:

1. Brad brought up the subject of a Texas Hold-em tournament that the Club might like to sponsor. It would require a license from the state at a cost of \$50. Brad will look into this as a possible fund raiser and we will have more information at a future meeting.

Trustee Rick Schmock:

1. Rick will be helping to run sight-in days on November 11th and 12th. Sign-ups for help on this project will begin in October at the regular meeting. Scott Fries will run the sight-in days on November 4th and 5th.

President George Mayhak:

1. George is working on recognition for members contributing to the "Complete the Building" fund. Donations of \$50, \$100, \$250 \$500. and \$1000 will be greatly appreciated and recognized with a special display. The club can then finish the outside with cut stone half-logs, and the inside with flooring and table purchases and other needs.

Treasurer Gordon Pickerd:

1. Gordon reviewed the budget items for this year. Income in most areas is below expectations. Cowboys are meeting budget but most other areas need help. The Board spent quite a bit of time brainstorming how to increase income to meet expected expenses. George will discuss this with the membership. Remember to put your dollar in the container when using the range. Also remember to log in when you come to shoot trap/skeet during the week. This is very important.
2. The trap machine has been repaired. Thanks to all who helped load and unload and to Dan and Gordon for taking the machine down to Detroit and picking it up.
3. Total assets reported \$59,022.35 with income of \$81,887.62 (includes \$16,000 in promissory notes) and expenses of \$109,367.40. The budget meeting will be held at the November Board Meeting. All are welcome...if requesting an expenditure please also have an idea of how the money will be raised to cover same.

Secretary Terry Stuart:

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Guests: Attorney Jill Goodell

Meeting opened at 7:10 by Chairman Scott Fries

Invocation – Tim Hall

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Vice - President's Report:

1. Brad discussed the important fund raiser – The 2007 gun raffle. See note at top of page. It is real important that all members make an effort to either purchase or sell several books.

Secretary's Report: Terry Stuart:

1. Thank you cards and letters were read from a scholarship recipient and the wife of one of our disabled shooters who participated in the special deer hunt this fall.

Treasurer's Report: Gordon Pickerd:

1. Total assets in all accounts - \$49,780.17 with income as of November 7, 2006 of \$106,126.97 minus \$11,180.00 which was raised by the Cystic Fibrosis raffle and was turned over to them. They used our license for their raffle. Real income \$94,946.97 and expenses of \$143,990.56 for the year. Next January the club will be paying out \$13,000 in promissory notes with a total of \$26,000 due during the 2007 year.
2. Work continues on the outside of the building. The entry way is nearly completed. A big thank you to all who helped. Gordon will detail this in the upcoming newsletter. More work continues each day on this project. Help is appreciated. Lots of little jobs are available for work hours...leaves around buildings, soffit on shoot building needs repair, staining of wood at entrance.

Committee Reports:

ROCKFORD SPORTSMAN'S CLUB
Regular Meeting Minutes –November 7, 2006

- The Trap/Skeet Winter League starts on Sunday, January 7. This will be a team and individual shoot. Shooting times will be Sundays from 10-3 and Monday and Thursday evenings from 6-9.
- Sportsmen Against Hunger – your non-perishable food donation would be appreciated at the next meeting. Also your cash donation (part of which is tax deductible – see Mike Green) would be welcome. After December 20, please give your checks to Bob Drury who agreed to fill in for Mike while he is on vacation. Your tax deductible donation should be made out to Second Harvest Gleaners.
- NSSA Wednesday night events continue on the first Wednesday of each month starting in March of 2007. The Springtime Open is set for April 21/22 and the Wolverine World Wide Open is set for August 17,18, and 19th. Dan Vincent is in charge of this.
- The next Cowboy shoot will be held on December 2nd. Great time. Good food. Come and enjoy!
- Archery committee reported that the Advanced Archery Class to begin November 18th, Saturday with two classes – 8:30-10:00 AM and 10:00-11:30 AM. Open night for archery to be determined.
- Gun Raffle – Ticket #77- Bill Berry of Dietech Engineering won a Thompson Center Stainless Muzzle Loader and ticket #239 – George Mayhak won the CVA Optima Pro. Congratulations! Again, new tickets for 2007 are available from Brad Mullen @ 866-9884 or Dan Hankinson @784-1948.
- MUCC – Wendy reported that the District 5 meeting will be held at our club on the last Thursday in August.
- Mike Roche would like all news items before the 20th of the month to include in the newsletter.
 - Please tell your friends that our building is available for family parties or wedding receptions etc. Please contact rental chairman – Terry Stuart – 887-9917.
 - Food and Beverage: Nancy Hull – 617-9264. Contact Nancy first with your needs. Please don't wait until the last minute. Give her some advance notice.
 - Apparel: Bernie indicated that he will order apparel as needed. (Good Christmas presents!)
 - Work Hours: Continue to fill out those slips and turn them in. Member Mike Roche is keeping the records up to date.
 - Gun Show: December 16-17 and January 20-21, Saturday and Sunday. Peter needs help to man this important contact with sportsmen and women. Please call if you can help. 616-340-2375.
 - Sight-In Days: November 11th and 12th. A few folks signed up to help at the November meeting but more are needed. Scott Fries reported that on November 4th and 5th there were 131 guns sighted in. Great job!
 - Building and Grounds: Important projects.
 1. The skeet house roof needs to be finished before bad weather sets in. This project has been started. If you can help finish it that would be greatly appreciated. (This is a repeat from last month's minutes)

Old Business:

1. The 501 C3 process has hit a bit of a snag. We will have to change a few bylaws to comply with requirements. More information to follow. We evidently have achieved Tax exempt status for property tax from the township.

New Business:

1. Nominations were held for election of officers and Board Members as reported above. These nominations will continue through December with a vote by the regular and retired members at the December meeting. You must be present to vote.

Open Forum:

- Two sign-up sheets were distributed to members. One for a little extra help in the kitchen on the first Saturday of the month to help with the cowboy lunch and the other looking for assistance in maintaining the building throughout the year. All new members will be contacted and regular members will be asked to participate one month out of the year.

- Drawing for T-shirt– Four lucky winners -
- 25/25 Drawing Winners: Jim Denison and ? (sorry – I missed the name)

Respectfully submitted:

Secretary Terry Stuart

Rockford Sportsman's Club
Board Meeting –Nov. 21, 2006

Board Members Present: President George Mayhak, Vice-President Brad Mullen, Treasurer Gordon Pickerd, Secretary Terry Stuart, Sgt. At Arms Terry Eicholtz, Trustees; Mike Roche, Mike Green, Tim Hall, Stacey Omland, Rick Schmock, Ron Parker, Lisa Harbison and Board Chairman Scott Fries.

Absent:

Guests: Tom Smith, Greg VerVeer, Dan Blain, Bill Skallos

Meeting opened at 6:10 by Chairman Scott Fries

1. **The December Board Meeting will be held on December 19th starting at 7:00 PM.**
2. A chairperson is needed for an important committee. The Hunt for the Cure – Field Day needs a chairperson. If interested please let George Mayhak or a Board Member know.
3. A chairperson is desperately needed for the Marketing Committee. This involves club promotion and advertising. Chairperson should be able to attend all meetings – including Board Meetings on the third Tuesday of the month.
4. **The 2007 Annual Dinner will be held on January 20th. Dinner is \$15 per person. Reservations to George Mayhak – 616-874-9226 by January 6.**

Chairman Scott Fries:

1. Archery fee of \$5.00 per session to be paid in shoot building. Regular member needs to monitor shooting on Monday and Thursday evenings. 6-9 PM
1. Sight-in days was very successful with over 300 gun tickets sold. Income from this event was \$1,625 – **the best ever!** Special thanks to Fran Kazmierski and her kitchen crew. First weekend hosted by Scott Fries and the second weekend by Rick Schmock.

Vice-President Brad Mullens:

- Brad announced that the 2007 gun raffle tickets are being printed. The gun selection has been made. Buy one and sell one subscription. This is a very important part of our budget for 2007. Only 300 booklets to be sold.

President George Mayhak:

1. George is working on recognition for members contributing to the “Complete the Building” fund. Donations of \$50, \$100, \$250 \$500. and \$1000 will be greatly appreciated and recognized with a special display. The club can then finish the outside with cut stone half-logs, and the inside with flooring and table purchases and other needs.
2. George announced that he has requested a laptop computer for club use. It is necessary to keep club financial records on and the next treasurer will find this very helpful.

Treasurer Gordon Pickerd:

- Gordon reviewed the budget items for this year. Remember to put your dollar in the container when using the range.
Also remember to log in when you come to shoot trap/skeet during the week. This is very important.

Secretary Terry Stuart:

1. There is a need for a Building Committee to help set-up and clean occasionally. The bathrooms need constant attention as does the trash. Sign-ups for this committee will be taken at the next meeting. You may also call 887-9917 to get your name on the list. Each person will be called upon once or twice during the year.
2. There will be nominations taken at the next meeting for Officers and Board of Directors. Board members whose term expires are Lisa Harbison, Mike Green, and Mike Roche. Lisa and Mike have indicated that she will not run for another term.
3. Terry suggested map rails for the new addition so as to have a place to hang posters or signs. The cost for these is \$15-\$25 depending on length. A budget proposal will be prepared.

Trustee Mike Roche:

1. Needs articles for the newsletter by the 20th of the month.

BUDGET MEETING / INCOME AND EXPENDITURES WERE THE TOPIC OF DISCUSSION DURING THIS BOARD MEETING.

- Motion by Terry Eicholtz and supported by Lisa Harbison to accept and present the 2007 budget as discussed.
Approved

- Some budget items that will change current practices:
 1. Donation for backer board and range use will increase to \$2.00 per session
 2. Rental rates for members will increase from \$100 to \$200. Rentals already arranged will not change. If you have arranged a rental the old rate still applies.
 3. Increase in rentals for using AV and Sound Equipment - \$35 for sound equipment, \$15 for video. (Paid in advance in addition to regular rental rates) – again...this applies to future rentals. Rentals already arranged will not see this charge.
 4. Shoot fees to increase to \$3.50. Possible increase in non-member fees as well – possibly \$4.00.
 5. Some reductions in Camp payments.
 6. Discussion about 2007 dues. Possibility of raising dues was tabled until a later time.
 7. As you examine the budget please keep in mind that one limiting factor is the payment of our promissory notes. They must be paid first before discretionary budget items can be considered.

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Terry Stuart:

SPECIAL REMINDER – WORK HOUR SLIPS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE PAVILLION AND THE CLUB HOUSE AND THE SHOOT BUILDING OR ONLINE FORM AT OUR WEBSITE UNDER MEMBERSHIP - WORK HOUR FORMS. IT IS THE MEMBERS' RESPONSIBILITY TO FILL THESE OUT ON A REGULAR AND TIMELY BASIS.

ROCKFORD SPORTSMAN'S CLUB
Regular Meeting Minutes –December 5, 2006

Invocation: Ron Parker

7:15 PM Call to Order and Pledges by President George Mayhak

Acorn Pledges: ~~\$3,800.00~~so far. Donations of \$50, \$100, \$250, \$500, or \$1,000 or more will be recognized on our Giving Tree. Please help to complete our clubhouse with your donation. A special cup engraved with the club logo will be given to the first 50 members who help with this project. So far 7 sponsors have stepped forward. If you wish, you may donate your remaining promissory notes to the club. Contact Gordon Pickerd if you wish to do this.

The new Gun Raffle Tickets have been prepared. Cost is \$50 for 12 monthly drawings – 12 guns and 4 cash prizes are offered. Only 300 books of tickets to be sold. Please help with this important fund raiser. Buy one and sell one. We need to sell all of these before December 31. Call Dan Hankinson @784-1948 or Brad Mullen @866-9884 to get your tickets. Many thanks!!!

- **Next Board Meeting is December 19 – 7:00 PM – new board members should attend. All members are welcome.**
- **New Year's Eve being planned for club members. Dec. 31, 2006 – 8:00 PM – Bring a dish, dessert or snacks for Potluck and your own beverages of choice. Adults only – Texas Hold'em, Red Ryder challenge shooting gallery, and other games. Every guest will be entered in the blind drawing for donated door prizes. \$5 cover charge. Western attire is encouraged, but not required.**
- **Children's names were taken for the annual children's Christmas party – please contact George Mayhak if interested. 874-9226.**
- **Election Results: President – George Mayhak, Vice-President – Brad Mullen, Treasurer – Gordon Pickerd, Secretary – Terry Stuart, Sgt. At Arms – Terry Eicholtz and Board of Directors – Mike Roche, Peter Kreutzfeldt, and Dan Vincent.**
- **Special thank you to Peter Kreutzfeldt for picking up and repairing the shotgun poppers on the cowboy range. What a big job! Many thanks – special note – do not use any steel shot on these targets. This is what really damaged them in the first place.**

- Minutes from the last regular meeting and board meeting accepted as printed. Motion by Anne Bradley and supported by Pauline Vincent – approved.

President's Report:

1. George thanked Brad Mullen for the donation of the Toshiba Lap Top for club use. Our old one is getting less and less reliable.

Vice - President's Report:

1. Brad discussed the important fund raiser – The 2007 gun raffle. See note at top of page. It is real important that all members make an effort to either purchase or sell several books.

Secretary's Report: Terry Stuart:

1. Special attention to the bottom of the first page of the board minutes. Reprinted here. These are some of the things the new board of directors will consider for 2007.
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Treasurer's Report: Gordon Pickerd:

- No financial report this evening as Gordon is away on vacation. Instead a presentation of the 2007 budget was given by President George Mayhak. At the conclusion a motion was made by Mike Green with Bernie Sobie supporting to approve the 2007 budget. Motion carried.
1. Terry reported on the 501 C3 status. The club will receive this for the 2007 calendar year after changing wording in the camp description and the club party description which allows for non-members to participate. In addition, more bookkeeping will be necessary to keep track of donations.

ROCKFORD SPORTSMAN'S CLUB
Regular Meeting Minutes –December 5, 2006

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- Gun Raffle – Ticket #192- Dennis Ream who will have his choice of several firearms. Congratulations! Again, new tickets for 2007 are available from Brad Mullen @ 866-9884 or Dan Hankinson @ 784-1948.
- MUCC – Wendy reported that at the MUCC Board meeting a presentation was made by the DNR regarding increases in license fees which have been proposed. Almost all licenses are increasing by double the amount now charged, including out of state license fees.
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 - Sight-In Days: A great job done by all. The biggest and busiest sight-in day program yet with around \$1,700 raised for club projects. Many thanks to Scott Fries and Rick Schmock for heading up this annual event.
 - Building and Grounds: A committee of members is being organized to help keep the club clean. So far over 20 members have signed up to be responsible for one month. Two cleanings to be announced. These will happen on a Saturday morning from 8-10:30 AM. Basic cleaning – bathrooms, scrub floor in old part (if needed) empty waste baskets, wipe down counters, and if time permits clean out a cupboard or two in the kitchen. Basically make it look nice. Announcement in the monthly newsletter as to dates and people involved. Many thanks to all who volunteered and to those who will volunteer in the future.

Old Business:

1. Sportsmen Against Hunger Banquet at our club on January 23rd. All are invited. No charge and no special sign-up needed.

New Business:

1. January 20th, 2007, is the date for our annual banquet. Lots of fun and good eats. Cost is \$15 per person. Sign up at the January regular meeting or contact President George Mayhak – 874-9226. **Special planning meeting will be held at the club on January 26th – Tuesday. Come if you can help plan this fun event.**

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Respectfully submitted:

Secretary Terry Stuart

Rockford Sportsman's Club
Board Meeting –December 19, 2006

Board Members Present: Chairman of the Board Scott Fries, President George Mayhak, Vice-President Brad Mullen, Treasurer Gordon Pickerd, Secretary Terry Stuart, Sgt. At Arms Terry Eicholtz, Trustees: Mike Roche, Lisa Baldwin, Ron Parker, Stacy Omland, Rick Schmock, and Tim Hall.

Absent: Trustees Mike Green

Guests: Jim Vanderploeg

Meeting called to order by Board Chairman Scott Fries - 7:00 PM

Invocation - Tim Hall

1. Planning meeting for annual banquet - December 26th, 7:00 PM - main clubhouse
2. Coming up – January 20th, 2007 - Rockford Sportsman's Club Annual Banquet. Cost is \$15 per person. Contact President George Mayhak - 874-9226 or sign up at the January regular meeting.
3. Sportsmen Against Hunger Banquet - January 23rd at the club. No charge to attend. Please call Mike Green 363-2827 if you are planning on attending..
4. Gun show January 20-21 - Please call Peter Kreutzfeldt to sign up to man our booth. 616-340-2375..

(Building and Grounds Announcement)

The outside of the building will be worked on this winter as weather permits. Monday-Friday 8-4 - Help if you can

Treasurer Gordon Pickerd:

1. Treasurer's Report - balance in all accounts \$53,584.60. Income this year \$120,513.13 and expenses of \$154,926.96.
2. The Board has received a letter concerning use of the ranges by the Customs and Border Patrol. Action will be taken later after status of 501 C3 is finalized..

Trustee Terry Eicholtz:

1. The Christmas party was held and the children had a good time. Thanks to all who helped!

President George Mayhak:

1. The last forms for the 501 C3 status are being worked on. It is necessary to file an additional budget for 2008. Mike Roche will do this using this year's figures.
2. **A special New Member orientation meeting will be held January 9th from 7:00-8:30 to answer questions new members might have. All Board members are invited to attend.**

Chairman of the Board: Scott Fries:

1. Scott will not be Chairman of the Board for 2007 but will continue to schedule police use of the ranges and take care of the website. Many thanks for all of his efforts! Greatly appreciated.

Secretary Terry Stuart

1. Reminder of the next gun show on January 20th and 21st. See note above if you can help.

Trustee Ron Parker

1. The pictures from the children's Christmas party will be posted on the web site soon.

Trustee Lisa Baldwin

1. Discussion of the proposed increase in shoot fees. After discussion:
 - Motion made by Lisa to table shoot fee changes until the next board meeting - approved

Trustee Mike Roche

- Mike made a motion supported by Terry Eicholtz to approve Donald Byers as a new member. Approved.

A special Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all members of the Rockford Sportsman's Club!

Don't forget the club New Year's Eve Party - Dec. 31 - 8:00 PM - bring a dish or snack to pass. \$5 cover charge. (Poker, Texas Hold 'Em, Shooting Gallery, Bingo etc. - Bring your table games. BYOB

Secretary Terry Stuart

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