# Rockford Sportsman's Club



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# Rockford Sportsman's Club Board Meeting Minutes February 21, 2023

**Attendees:** Ryan Cordes, Dan Hankinson, George Mayhak, Dan Vincent, Len Laitila, Kevin Kubisczewski, Jim Thomson, Steve Lomonaco, BJ Blake, Karen Kronberg, Bill Skallos, Mike DeGroot,

Guest: Ron Dryer, Steve Mitchell

Call to order 7:00

Invocation by Kevin Kubiszewski

## **Officer Reports:**

## **Presidents Report: Ryan Cordes**

- Main Building Update: Ryan Cordes Annual Project-Bathroom overhaul underway, Will continue after NWTF dinner 3/3.
- Steve Silverthorn will be doing electrical work I the back two bathrooms.
- Main building painting
  - -met with Scott Vanderplow to have walls professionally painted.
  - -Repcolite will donate first 5 gallons.
  - -Cost Coverage Options:

Option 1: \$2,550 for material and labor paid to Scott Vanderplow painting. RSC to provide remaining paint.

Option 2: \$1,750 & \$850 in shoot cards- RSC to provide remaining paint.

Motion to Approve Option 2 by Ryan Cordes, Second by Len Laitilla, Motion Carried.

- Shooting Building Update: cabinets for shoot building have been paid for and are expected to be delivered any time.
- In an effort to better inform the board and improve relationships among different shooting disciplines the board will be visiting Club events as a group.
  - a. 4/15- CMP
  - b. 4/26-Hunters Safety
  - c. 5/17- Defensive Pistol
  - d. 5/23-22 RTC
  - e. 6/8 Bench Rifle
  - f. 8/10-Skeet & Trap
- At membership meeting we asked for suggestions on how to handle misconduct at RSC. Ron Dryer sent in a proposal that was reviewed and will be brought to the board as an official proposal in the March Board meeting.

## **Board Meeting Minutes Continued**

## **Presidents Report: Ryan Cordes (continued)**

- After visiting Capitol Area Sportsman's League we would like to expand our 5 Stand field to include a
  blacklight option. This offers a different shooting opportunity not currently in West Michigan. The current plan is to run this two Saturdays a month starting in October from dusk till 9:00pm. Estimated cost
  of the setup is \$1,200 to include lights, wiring and field updates. Motion by Ryan Cordes, Second by Karen Kronberg, all in favor, Motion Carried.
- Steve Mitchell presents website issues and areas that need improvement.
  - a.22 RTC is currently two years out of date
  - b. Archery is no longer an activity at RSC
  - c.Many photos are outdated
  - d.SCTP Under Construction
  - e. Other club advertising? No other clubs promote advertisement for RSC. Should RSC continue to advertise for other clubs...

## Vice President Report: Dan Hankinson

- Dan Hankinson Annual Project- work with Kevin Kubiszewski on clearing brush along east hill and brush in the corner of main drive.
- Outside company would like to present Stop the Bleed Course at RSC. Cost would be \$65/student. Ram nitro coaches are taking stop the bleed with Ada Fire Department
- Ram Nitro Team is becoming a Rockford Schools Club Sport.

## Sergeant At Arms Report: Dan Vincent

- Dan Vincent Annual Project- reside skeet and trap houses.
- All cameras are back working, cameras and wires are protected in boxes.
- Camera system upgrade- cameras and receivers. New cameras zoom capability. Working on cost proposal.
- February NSSA Shoot had eight shooters.
- Springtime open is in April. Will need help pulling lines April 22&23.

#### Chairman of the Board Report: George Mahak

George Mayhak Annual Project- update names around flagpole

#### Secretary Report: Craig DeDamos, Absent

- 1.Craig DeDamos Annual Project- replace gun racks on skeet field 1
- 2. No Report

## Membership Secretary: Kevin Kubiszewski

- Kevin Kubiszewski Annual Project: work with Dan Hankinson. on clearing brush along east hill and brush in the corner of main drive.
- Seven attendees at the February new member meeting with five board member volunteers assisting.
- March New Membership expected to be 10 attendees.

## Treasurer Report: Len Laitila

- Len Laitila Annual Project- Repair Eyebrows on 100/200 yd range.
- Received Thank you for annual contribution to North Kent Connect.

## **Board Meeting Minutes Continued**

## Treasurer Report: Len Laitila (continued)

Feb Income \$5,481.5 Feb Expenses \$3,522.08 Feb Net \$1,959.42

#### **Trustee Reports**

### Mike Degroot

Mike DeGroot Annual Project- build barn door system for coat closet to replace old curtain. All material
will be donated in place of Membership dues. Motion By Dan Hankinson, second by Dan Vincent all in
favor. Motion Carried.

### **Karen Kronberg**

- Karen Kronberg Annual Project- work with Bill Skallos and clean Hill and 25/50-yard Range.
- Armed Women of America has had a constant following, holsters selection next month and drawing from the holster

#### Jim Thomson No Report

#### Bill Skallos

- Bill Skallos Annual Project- clean Hill and 25/50-yard Range.
- Hunters Safety April session is full. Will not open other classes till after the April class to prevent people from dropping last minute
- All Hunters Safety classes must be signed up for on the DNR Website

#### Steve Lomonaco

- Steve Lomonaco Annual Project- Clean and maintain all ranges weekly. (Pick up and dump trash)
- MUCC Convention in march
- April District 5 Meeting is looking for a location. RSC will volunteer facility
- ORV Safety had 4 students drop out. Expecting 4 more to sign up before class.

#### **BJ** Blake

- BJ Blake Annual Project- clean and maintain flowerbeds around skeet and trap fields and grounds.
- Facebook cover page has been updated. More pictures to come, as activities start up in April.
- Working on starting a Rockford Sportsman's Club Instagram page for advertising.

Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

Craig DeDamos, Secretary

## Membership Meeting Minutes February 07, 2023 Call to order at 7:15pm

# Meeting was called to order by Ryan Cordes Invocation was given by Gorgon Pickard

## **President's Report: Ryan Cordes**

- Guest: none
- Motion to Approve Jan'23 Minutes. Second by Dan Vincent. Motion carried.
- Big thanks to those helping out with snow removal & maintenance around the complex.
- Looking for club membership support to sign-up to help with various club projects in 2023. A "To Do" list has been posted in shooting building. Good opportunity to get "member hours" and to support the up-keep of our club.
- Shooting Building updates in process. New cabinets due in this month.
- Main building "painting" to be scheduled.

## Vice President's Report: Dan Hankinson

- Sports Show March 9-12. Looking for RSC Sportsman Against Hunger volunteers to support at the show on March 9 from 8-8pm. All food unperishable food items to be donated to God's Kitchen. All donators will get into the show free. Reduced price tickets available at March meeting (\$8 vs. \$12 @ door).
- Donation of \$212 was raised for Ceder Spring family impacted by house fire.

Chairman's Report: George Mayhak - Nothing to report.

**Secretary's Report: Craig DeDamos -** Nothing to report at this time.

## Membership Secretary's report: Kevin Kubiszewski (Steve Lomonaco)

New Members (Jan'23):

New Member Introduction: Kevin Elliott, Dale Engman, Steven Hammond, Steve Orchard, Doug Brown, Robert Gaunt, Tim Stein, Graham Agee, Troy Fellows. Motion to Approve. Second by Dan Vincent. Motion Approved.

#### Treasurer's Report: Len Laitila

- Month of January '23:
  - \$13,109 of total revenue
  - \$5002.70 of total expenses
  - Net for January '23 of \$8,106.30
- Motion to approve the (Jan'23) budget. Second by Steve Lomonaco. Motion carried.
- North Kent Connect thank you letter received.

#### Sergeant of Arms Report: Dan Vincent

- First NSSA started 1/31. Next shoots will be on 2/18 and 3/1.
- Please remember to pay your range fees if you are up here shooting. The fees are \$2/member & guests are \$2/hour. Fees are used to keep the ranges up.

## **Member Meeting Minutes Continued**

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

NSSA- scheduled to start in Feb'23.

**Skeet and Trap -** Winter league well underway. First four rounds of each event must be completed by Feb 9. Final league shoot & banquet will be held on 3/11. Shooting event to be a "Calcutta" style with the banquet to follow. Wives, partners welcome, for dinner fee.

**SCTP-** practice starts 3/3; sign up approx. 40 kids. Looking forward to a good-solid year.

Rimfire Bench Rest- Off for winter. April start-up.

**CMP-** 3/18 start-up.

Armed Women of America- next class slated for 2/19 (gun cleaning & carry discussion).

## **Hunter Safety -**

Class schedule:

- April 24,26,29 (currently there are 12 spaces open).
- July 24,2,29; Sept 11,13,16. (sign up will be posted on the DNR website late Spring)

Volunteers must sign up through the DNR website.

All sign-ups need to be made directly through the DNR website. Application process to be a Certified Instructor will be outlined in Feb'23 newsletter. DNR background check is mandatory.

**Defensive pistol-** on hold until April.

**MUCC-** Annual convention coming up in March 25-26.

For additional MUCC news, please refer to the MUCC website. (www.mucc.org)

**ORV-** class set for 3/18 (9-3pm). Sign-ups see Steve Lomonaco.

22 Reactive Target Competition - no update.

**Sunshine-** club condolences to the passing of Jim Hughes, who was a long-time member of the RSC. A donation was made to hospice on behalf of the RSC.

**Food and Beverage-** freezer has been cleaned.

#### Sportsman's Against Hunger

Unperishable food donation welcome at this year's Sports Show, Mar 9-12. Seeking club volunteers for Thursday (3/9) from 8am-8pm to help with unperishable food donation collection. Sports Show tickets on sale \$8 (at door \$12). See Tom Mroczkowski.

Building and Grounds- need a "skinny" stature electrician to help with the main building. See Ryan Cordes.

**Apparel-** new club hats coming soon. Craig DeDamos coordinating.

Marketing- nothing this month.

**Safety Updates-** don't shoot unapproved/unsafe targets! GOTTA STOP! Club to determine punishment for any violators of rules.

#### Deer/Fish/Turkey-

• Turkey: Don Boeswink.

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Old business- nothing new to report.							
New business- nothing new to report.							
50/50 Raffle- \$52 two ways  1.Tom Mroczkowski  2.Ed Mienko							
Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm							
Respectfully submitted,							
Craig DeDamos, Secretary							
NOTICE							
For Members that would like internet access while at the club use:							
Network: RSC Guest							
PW: RSC Guest							

## Calendar

Please check website for latest changes http://www.rockfordsportsmansclub.com/ For calendar additions or changes contact: Dan Vincent

The Rockford Sportsman's Clu	ıb				Mar 20	023 (Eastern Time - New York)
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	11	2	3	4
Winter League 10-1	Winter League 5-8pm	22 RTC Set up @ 5:30	NSSA	DHS North pistol and Rifle	Turkey Federation (10-	
10am - Trap & Skeet	5pm - Trap & Skeet open			Winter League 5-8pm		
				5pm - Trap & Skeet Open		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Winter League 10-1pm	Winter League 5-8pm	7:15pm - Membership	DHS North pistol and rifle	Winter League 5-8pm		Winter League Banquet
10am - Trap & Skeet	5pm - Trap & Skeet open			10am - Lions club Main		
				5pm - Trap & Skeet Open		
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
10am - Trap & Skeet	5pm - Trap & Skeet open	22 RTC Set up 5:30 start		Kent Conservation		CMP 9-3pm
		New Membership		5pm - Trap & Skeet Open		ORV class main building
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Well Armed Woman	5pm - Trap & Skeet open	7pm - RSC Board Meeting		5pm - Trap & Skeet Open		Karen Kronberg South
10am - Trap & Skeet						
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
Coin show 9-3pm	5pm - Trap & Skeet open	22 RTC Set up @ 5:30	DHS North pistol and rifle	5pm - Trap & Skeet Open		
10am - Trap & Skeet						

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