Rockford Sportsman's Club



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December 2023

Rockford Sportsman Club Board Meeting

Nov 21, 2023

Attendees: Ryan Cordes, Dan Hankinson, George Mayhak, Dan Vincent, Len Laitilla, Steve Lomonaco, Mike DeGroot, Jim Thomson, BJ Blake, Bill Skallos, Karen Kronberg, Tim Hall

Guest-Terry Bowan

Call to order 6:06 pm

Invocation given by Tim Hall

OFFICERS REPORT

Presidents Report-Ryan Cordes

- Sight in days 315 shooters, financial report to come prior to membership meeting
- Blacklight 5 Stand is up and running. Grand Opening Dec 16th at Dusk
- Working with Rockford Chamber of Commerce on hosting February Euchre Tournament. Ryan made motion to donate rental as publicity and marketing of rental facility. Second by BJ Blake, Motion carried.
- Countertop has been installed in shoot building.

Vice Presidents Report- Dan Hankinson

Board agreed to offer the Blacklight 5-Stand during Christmas and New Years weekends. (Weather Permitting)

Membership Secretary- Kevin Kubiszewski

Absent-No Report

Treasurer Report-Len Laitila

November Monthly Report

Income	\$ 6,734.75
Expenses	<u>\$ 2,483.18</u>
Net	\$ 4,551.57

Sergent at Arms- Report-Dan Vincent

- No additional tree removal quotes. We will proceed with Wheeler Tree Service.
- Range fees have been very light for volume of shooters. 11/18 & 11/19 total of \$10 was collected. Noted many shooters on camera.
- AED is mounted in shoot building. First Aid Bag located above it.

Secretary Report- Craig DeDamos

Absent-No Report

Board Meeting Minutes Continued

Trustee Reports

- BJ Blake- No report
- Bill Skallos- No report
- Karen Kronberg- Covering holiday safety shopping, Dec pot luck & first aid.
- **Mike DeGroot** Working on signs for fields.
- Steve Lomonaco- Cancel snowmobile class for December due to lack of interest, Orv class in spring.
- Jim Thomson- Don Bozwinkle is looking for a splitting wedge and maul to split wood.
- Tim Hall-
 - No New Report from MUCC.
 - Annual convention, Regional Meeting, Policy committee meetings coming in March
 - Dan Hankinson made a motion to reimburse for fuel and lodging, second by Karen Kronberg, Motion carried.

Old Business

No Old Business

New Business

- Len Laitilla presents 2024 Annual Budget.
 Motion to approve 2024 Budget by Dan Hankinson, Second by Mike Degroot. Motion Carried.
- Three Trustee positions available for 2024-2025 Term: Bill Skallos (Incumbent)
 Steve Lomonaco (Incumbent)
 Jim Thomson (Incumbent)
 Jon Stotz
 John Cordes

Meeting Adjourn 8:35 pm

Membership Meeting Minutes

Nov 7, 2023

Call to order at 7:15pm

Meeting was called to order by Ryan Cordes

Invocation was given by Tim Hall

Guest: none

- Motion to Approve Sept Membership Meeting Minutes. Second by John Cordes. Motion approved.
- Motion to Approve Oct Membership Meeting Minutes. Second by BJ. Motion Approved.

President's Report: Ryan Cordes

- Building Maintenance: exterior stain completed! Interior remodel almost finished. End is near!
- First Sight in weekend was held Nov 4&5 with 152 shooters taking part.
- Final Sight in Days will be on Nov 11&12 from 10am-3pm. \$5/gun. Need volunteers.
- 5-Stand Blacklight going live Saturday, Nov 11 @ dark. Open to Public 11/25.
- Pick up after yourself. See something, help keep the grounds clean.

Vice President's Report: Dan Hankinson

- Board and officer elections.
- Rule no rifle cartridge carbine shooting on South Range!
- Leaf blowing needed around the club. Good opportunity to get some hours.
- Need volunteers to rebuild 50/100/200 yd ranges.

Chairman's Report: George Mayhak

• Nothing new to report.

Secretary's Report: Craig DeDamos

• Nothing new to report.

Membership Secretary's Report: Kevin Kubiszewski

- For Oct '23 four new: Conner Rodgers, Casey Downing, Daniel Mayo, Brett Frisbe. Motion to accept the new membership, second by Dan Vincent. Motion approved. Welcome New Members!
- Gun failure (sight-in days). Important to follow safety, muzzle down or down range.
- November New Membership meeting Thurs, Nov 9 6pm. Shooting house, if interested in volunteering to assist. See Kevin Kubiszewski.

Treasurer's Report: Len Laitila

- Month of OCT'23:
 - Income \$ 8,720.00
 - Expenses (\$ 12,354.64)
 - Net Income (\$ 3,634.64)
- 2024 Budget meeting set for Nov 21. Get your budget submitted to Len Laitila by Nov 20, 2023.

Sergeant of Arms Report: Dan Vincent

- Reminder to clean up after yourself when using the ranges. See something, help out!
- Reported vandalism on the South Range. Camera was shot up. Violators will lose their membership, zero tolerance! See something report it!

Membership Meeting Minutes Continued

COMMITTEE REPORTS

NSSA- finished for 2023.

Skeet/Trap

- No fall leagues until after new year.
- Open shoot to be held on regular nights/times (Monday, Thursday & Sunday).

СМР

• Military rifle 100/200yd shoot. Next shoot Nov 18 10-2pm. Future scheduled shoots will begin in the Spring. Check club calendar.

Armed Women of America

• November 19 6-8p shooting building. Holiday safety shopping and self-defense awareness.

Hunter Safety

• Next Hunter's Class signup starting in Jan'24 for April class. Sign up on DNR website. Volunteers welcome but will require DNR background check. See Bill Skolas for sign up and further instruction.

ORV

• next class 12/2 from 10-4pm. No sign-ups as of Nov 7. ORV class planned for spring '24. More details soon.

Defensive Pistol

- lights & Lazer shoots in the dark. Shooting must end by 9:30pm.
- New season to begin in Apr 2024.

MUCC

- next MUCC regional meeting is scheduled for Jan 25 Ravenna Sportsman Club. All are welcome to attend.
- Annual mtg set for Mar'24. Key resolutions voting.
- Resolutions under consideration: off-loading toxins in Michigan waterways, Nyberg Amendment (steelhead regulations), Geoengineering (chem trails) ban.
- For additional MUCC news, please refer to the MUCC website. ()

Sunshine- No update.

Sportsman's Against Hunger- Barb's Deer Processing (Rockford) will be taking donated deer starting with the youth hunt season and early doe season. Deer must be registered with the state to drop off at processor.

Building and Grounds-

- Exterior staining complete. Interior finishing up in a few weeks.
- Need leaf-blowers to clean up the grounds. Good opportunity to get some club hours.

Marketing- nothing new to report.

Safety Updates- new members - please read the 'RANGE RULES'!

Deer, Fish, Turkey

Will be announced at the January membership meeting! Get your pics entries in before January's membership meeting. Include details written on back of your picture.

Old business- stop shooting stupidly!

Membership Meeting Minutes Continued

New business

- Board and officer elections will be held at the December membership meeting. All nominations must be submitted by the November Board meeting.
- Promotion to Karen and the Armed Women of America. Great opportunity for women to get educated, trained and have a great time enjoying the shooting sport.

50/50 Raffle- \$54 total take (\$27 to RSC, \$27 to 50-50). \$ split two-ways:

• Tim McCarthy Doug Grimes

Meeting adjourned at 8:02pm

Respectfully submitted,

Craig DeDamos, Secretary

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

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