

## **Gem County Rod & Gun Club Meeting Minutes January 10th, 2022**

**Directors Present:** Director/Treasurer Shannon Wells, Director David Timony, Director Dave Larson, Director Larry Robertson

**Officers Present:** President Russell Trebby, Secretary Jim Bunting

**Guests/Members Present:** Heather Bunting, Cole Siebler, Craig Vandeventer, Lee Gitthens, Alan Roberts, George Cederberg, Larry Albaugh

Meeting was called to order by President Trebby at 7:00 pm January 10th, 2022 at the Senior- Community Center located on 719 S Johns Ave in Emmett, Idaho.

Director Robertson makes the motion to approve the November 2021 GCR&GC meeting minutes as written and it is seconded by Director Wells. The motion carries.

**Member Concerns:** None

**Treasurer's Report:** Director/Treasurer Shannon Wells reports that the clubs checking is \$66,231.43, club savings \$89,137.53. The club currently has 867 members for 2022.

**Range/Club Status:** Director Dave Larson reports he has been to Mountain West to check on the gate locks the club has ordered. The gate locks are not in and no one seems to know anything about them. Director Shannon Wells states that the road just inside the range gate has took some water damage from all the rain (big storm) and berms between several shooting lanes are starting to wash down. It was noted by President Trebby that the water erosion project seems to be working down at the lower rifle ranges. President Trebby had also noted that the anchoring of the Port O Potties to the new cement foundations worked well during the big wind/rain storm. Secretary Jim Bunting reported he was the first staff at the range after the recent big wind/rain storm. Secretary Bunting found all the heavy metal trash cans and wood tables were knocked over and some carried a distance away. Large logs were picked up and blown into the lanes of fire at the rifle ranges. All the wooden target backings on the rifle ranges were completely torn down. The range was cleaned up and Director Shannon Wells called individuals to rebuild the wooden target backings.

Larry Albaugh talked to the board concerning designing new safety tables for the pistol ranges. Albaugh states he understands that the original plans presented to the board were over the top. The boards of directors have already approved the idea of new safety tables but now a realistic design is in the making.

President Trebby states there has been an interest in starting up the steel challenge once again at Gem County Rod & Gun Club. Larry Albaugh states some clubs run the challenge all year round. Some clubs stop during the hot summer months. Larry states there has been a lot of interest concerning the steel challenge in Emmett. Larry request two pistol ranges every Friday to be opened up to the public for a steel challenge. Larry

states he can accommodate 24 shooters if some of the sloughs from the berms are pushed back. Larry requests permission to take a tractor and clean up some of the slough from the berms to widen the shooting lanes. Director Shannon Wells makes a motion to start the public invited steel challenge starting Friday, January 21, 2022 at 12 noon every Friday during the winter Months. During the summer months the times will be adjusted. Director Larry Robertson seconds and the motion carries. Larry Albaugh is authorized to do the berms works between now and then.

President Trebby states that the Fish & Game Department would like to start up hunter education again at the range. Fish & Game are willing to sign our waiver the club requires for non members. Secretary Bunting states the club should have a waiver that is specifically for minors. Director Dave Larson makes a motion to allow the Idaho Fish & Game Department to start scheduled hunters education events at Gem County Rod & Gun Club with appropriate waivers signed. Director Larry Robertson seconds the motion and it carries.

Director Larry Robertson was asked to contact various agencies to inquire about permits and permission to build a new bridge over the canal leading to the gun range. When the construction of the bridge commences the range will have to be shut down for a few weeks. The board will continue to try to contact property owner David Shaw to discuss the proposed project with him. Director David Timony stated if Secretary Bunting saw him out and about going to the gun range to call him and he will start the discussion.

Director Larry Robertson makes the motion to adjourn the January 2022 Board of Directors/Officers meeting. The motion is seconded by Director Shannon Wells and the motion carries.