

Gem County Rod & Gun Club Meeting Minutes

February 10th, 2020

Directors Present: Director Dean Wells, Director Caleb Hoobery, Director Dave Larson

Officers Present: President Russell Trebby, Secretary Jim Bunting, VP Greg Kershul, Treasurer Shannon Wells

Meeting was called to order by President Trebby at 7:05 pm.

Motion: Director Dean Wells makes a motion to accept the January 2020 Board of Directors minutes with one correction to a name. Corrections were made immediately by Secretary Jim Bunting. Motion with corrections to the January 2020 minutes is seconded by Director Dave Larson and it carries.

Member Concerns: Member Perry Saathoff is concerned about how the GCR&GC passes down information to the club members. An example is the proper way to open and close the lock on the front gate of the gun range. Mr. Perry Saathoff stresses the need for the monthly news letter that Joshua Saathoff is offering to do for the club membership. Mr. Perry Saathoff states his frustration of not knowing about the upcoming BOD elections and Officer Appointment happening at the March 2020 monthly meeting. President Trebby shows Perry Saathoff that the announcement of the elections has been on the clubs website for at least a week and a half and the problem is most likely the capabilities of the tablet he is using to download the clubs calendar. VP Kershul states that he also cannot pull up the clubs calendar on his phone and that he has to use a PC to access all the information on the GCR&GC website. President Trebby states that the clubs website is almost completely set up to start posting more data to get information out to members. The question is if the bulletin board on our official website or a monthly newsletter would be more effective on getting information out to the membership. Officer Shannon Wells made a motion in the January 2020 BOD/Officers meeting to take a survey of the membership to see who wanted to have a monthly newsletter sent to them. President Trebby is going to talk to the clubs website manger to see if it is possible to vote for or against this online. At present time the clubs website is just read only.

Disciplinary: Another letter will be sent to member Roy V. Coneen concerning range violations of having a guest that did not fill out an insurance waiver form, no club membership card on his person and shooting a rifle cartridge on the pistol range. These violations happened on December 16th, 2019 and were recorded by VP Greg Kershul. Secretary Jim Bunting will write and send out the second letter. The letter is concerning Mr. Coneen appearing before the BOD/Officers in the March 2020 monthly meeting to give his side of the story before any disciplinary actions are taken against him.

GCR&GC orange maintenance crew hats: President Trebby gave the orange Range Maintenance Crew hats to Director Dave Larson who is President of the Range Maintenance Committee. These hats are to identify the maintenance crew on the range as authorized workers under the authority of the GCR&GC BOD/Officers and allow them to close gun range bays in order to do repairs and or clean-up.

Range status: Director Dave Larson stated that there has been a lot of maintenance activity at the range to include working on the pistol range steel targets (tightening and replacing bolts) and changing of the rifle bay backboards. Director Dean Wells states the reason the pistol bay steel targets get damaged and bolts/nuts loosen is because members are shooting the steel targets with unauthorized rifle calibers even though there is a sign warning not to. Director Wells reminds everyone that there can be no shoulder fired weapons shot at the pistol bays to include .22's

Secretary Jim Bunting took two load of scrap wood to the Gem County Sanitation Department. There is no more scrap wood pile presently at the range.

Maintenance Committee Report: Director Dave Larson reports that he found a person on the gun range that was a GCR&GC member's guest and had a guest waiver form filled out but the member had not arrived at the range yet. It is a requirement that every guest has their sponsor with them at all times and cannot give out the combination to the gate to the guest. Director Larson asked the Boards advice on what to do if that situation arises again. VP Greg Kershul advises Director Larson to get the individuals name and license plate number. Then you escort them out the front gate. Director Wells advises getting their sponsor's name off the club waiver form if they

do not give it willingly. Once the BOD/Officers have the sponsor's name the sponsor will have to explain why he or she gave the gate combination to a non-member. The penalty for giving a non-member the combination to the locked front gate of the gun range may include losing your membership indefinitely. The guest could possibly be charged with trespassing if the situation dictates a sheriff being called.

VP Greg Kershul reports that there was a Range Maintenance Committee meeting at the Methodist Church in Emmett on 02/06/2020 at 7 pm. VP Kershul reports that a cost estimate of the items in the range connex's has been completed for insurance reasons as requested by Director Larry Robertson at the January 2020 BOD/Officers monthly meeting. A paper copy has been given to Secretary Jim Bunting. VP Kershul reports that a range duty checklist has been devised along with a schedule of who is to perform those duties on each day of the week. VP Kershul also states that connex seven (military connex) is in need of replacement due to the unstable condition of its roof.

President Trebby reminds the maintenance crew that their main functions are to clean and maintain the range and not so much the checking for club violations. Director Larson states that this is understood and they just check for cards and waiver forms as they do the scheduled maintenance on each individual bay.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Shannon Wells reports: Bridge fund at \$71,764.08, checking \$20,341.00.

Membership 2020 is 808

Right of way agreement: President Trebby reports that the GCR&GC's Right of Way agreement with David Shaw is completed and recorded. The cost was \$74 to E-file it. President Trebby also states that the club should come up with a legal plan for noise issues before someone buys David Shaw's land. Better to be prepared instead of being caught off guard.

Motion: VP Greg Kershul makes a motion for President Trebby to meet with Attorney Alex Kincaid to devise a plan for dealing with possible noise complaints against GCR&GC after the sale of lands around the gun range. Motion is seconded by Director Dean Wells and it carries.

VP Kershul has talked to some folks in the know about a possible title search and title insurance for the GCR&GC. The reason for the title insurance is just in case there is some dispute about the right of way agreement signed with David Shaw or any other land owners around the area of the range. The cost is around \$220 and it is not known yet if this is a one time or continued payment. Point of information: Director Caleb Hoobery states we already have a legal team we are paying for. VP Kershul states you cannot get a title search through a lawyer. **Motion:** A motion from Director Hoobery to allow VP Greg Kershul the ability to look for a title company to do a title search for the properties we have an agreement on and properties the GCR&GC owns. Officer Shannon Wells seconds the motion and it carries.

Scooters: A question arose about whether or not the organization Scooters had the required insurance that would protect the club in case of an incident. President Trebby said he would contact Scott McGann to see if their insurance just protects their organization or their organization and the Gem County Rod & Gun Club as well.

Resignation: Director Caleb Hoobery announces his resignation to the Board of Directors starting immediately. The reason for resigning is to participate at some level in the political arena. Director Hoobery says it was an honor to be on the Board and gave advice about cooler heads will prevail. President Trebby reluctantly accepts his resignation and thanks him for all his service. Director Hoobery then quotes the bylaw which states the club rules on filling his position until the election for his position in March 2020.

Motion: Director Dean Wells makes a motion to appoint Officer Shannon Wells to Director Caleb Hoobery's Board of Directors position. Motion is seconded by President Trebby and it carries.

Motion: Officer/Director Shannon Wells makes a motion for Director Larry Robertson to become a co-signer of the GCR&GC checking account. Motion is seconded by Director Dave Larson and it carries.

Fish & Game grant opportunities: President Trebby states that the club needs to have a project in mind to apply for a Fish & Game grant. Trebby also states he read that the conditions of the grant can change at any time after accepting the money. Director Dean Wells says a possible project would be a piece of land next to the gun range that could be used for trap

shooting if the club gets permission from the Little property behind it. Currently the club has a place to shoot shotguns but it is “A bring your own” trap shooting equipment range.

VP Greg Kershul asks Joshua Saathoff to stay in contact with the Fish & Game until something is decided upon with applying for grant monies. Joshua stated he would.

Motion: Officer/Director Shannon Wells make a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 PM. Motion is seconded by Director Dean Wells and it carries.