Gem County Rod & Gun Club Meeting Minutes November 13th, 2023

Directors Present: Director Paul Kaczmarek, Director Robert Thomason, Director Larry Albaugh

Officers Present: President Larry Robertson, Vice President Heather Bunting, Secretary Jim Bunting

The meeting was brought to order by President Larry Robertson at 7:00 pm November 13th, 2023 at the Senior-Community Center located on 719 S Johns Ave in Emmett, Idaho.

Range Status: Director Robert Thomason reports that he has observed a fairly decent amount of usage of the range by our members but it has tapered down a little because of the colder weather. All in all Director Thomason reports things are in good shape. Director Robert Thomason does about 50% of all maintenance at the gun range and it is greatly appreciated by everyone. Thank you Director Thomason very much. Trash has been removed from the rifle range fence line by Secretary Jim Bunting but it is an uphill battle with constant high winds at the range. Secretary Bunting reports he will try to get the community service detail back out to the range because they did such an amazing job the first time.

Secretary Bunting reports that the club will need to order more front gate locks for the upcoming year and asks for a motion to do so just in case the amount goes over \$200. Director Robertson makes a motion for Secretary Bunting to purchase the necessary locks for the front gate of the gun range. It is seconded by Director Larry Albaugh and it carries.

Treasurers Report: Treasurer Shannon Wells reports by email that the checking is at \$18,057.00, Savings at \$84,151.39 and the membership at 1389 for 2023 and 501 for 2024.

Non Members using the range: President Larry Robertson states that non members who are signed in to the range as guests are being given the combination to the gate at the range. Butch Whiting is also trying to be reached as to why he let three non members use the range without him being present. Butch is suspended until he can present himself to the Board of Directors/Officers to explain. President Robertson gives instructions to the BOD/Officers to start checking membership cards and monitor who is opening the gate at all times. It was also mentioned that the color of the guest waivers should change from year to year so at a glance staff can tell whether or not one was filled out for the New Year. Secretary Jim Bunting said he would handle that since he is the one that gets the guest waivers printed as well as restocks them in the box at the range every other day. Secretary Bunting also reports someone is taking waivers out of the connex in stacks as well as taking stacks from the box. The guest waiver is on the Gem County Rod & Gun Club website so there is no reason for this and often leaves the range with no waivers.

Signs at the range: Director Robert Thomason brought sign wording recommendations to the Board/Officers concerning shoulder fired firearms at the pistol ranges. Director Larry Albaugh says the wording on the front gate sign makes the wording on the signs at the pistol range confusing.

Director Larry Albaugh makes a motion to use the location of the bulletin board by the front gate of the range to erect a new sign for the pistol range adding clarity to the no shoulder fired firearms rule. Director Albaugh also includes a new sign for the front gate so there is no contradiction in wording. The motion is seconded by Director Robert Thomason and it carries. Director Thomason will go to the range to get the correct measurements for the new sign as well erect it. President Larry Robertson will order the new signs.

Vice President Heather Bunting makes the motion to adjourn the November monthly Gem County Rod & Gun Club meeting and it carries. Next meeting is December 11th.

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