

# Gem County Rod & Gun Club Meeting Minutes

## May 13th, 2024

**Directors Present:** Director Dave Timony, Director Paul Kaczmarek, Director Larry Albaugh

**Officers Present:** President Larry Robertson, Vice President Heather Bunting, Secretary Jim Bunting, Treasurer Shannon Wells

The meeting was brought to order by President Larry Robertson at 7:05 pm on May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at the Senior-Community Center located on 719 S Johns Ave in Emmett, Idaho.

Director Dave Timony makes a motion to approve the April 2024 BOD/Officers meeting minutes. The motion is seconded by VP Heather Bunting and it carries.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Shannon Wells reports \$19,502.13 in the checking account and \$84,203.02 in the Club's saving account. Membership as of so far for 2024 is 1392.

**Member Concerns:** A member asks if the GCR&GC will ever have a 200 yard shooting range/lane. President Larry Robertson explains that the Club has been seeking property to expand out to a 1000 yard shooting range for the last 9 years. There have been several obstacles preventing the Club from doing so such as appropriate land location/zoning as well as market price exceeding current earmarked funds for the expansion.

President Larry Robertson informs the members of the Board/Officers that he is moving the treasurer's reports on the monthly meeting agenda to come before member concerns on the monthly agenda. Secretary Jim Bunting will make that happen.

**Range Report:** The pistol ranges at the Gem County Rod & Gun Club have been pooling with water after every rain fall due to improper slope not allowing for any kind of drainage. Up to 5" of rock has been put in place to correct slope as well as pits and drains were put in place. Water will have to pass over a pit before goes into the concrete channel. President Larry Robertson says the drainage correction work should hold steady for at least the next couple of years. A thank you goes to Director Thomason and Director Albaugh as well for a considerable amount of tractor work at the range that was additional to the contracted drainage work.

**Club Membership Fee:** The BOD/Officers had a discussion on when would be the opportune time to raise the membership fees for the GCR&GC. The club is experiencing rising costs for maintaining the gun range with more people than ever using the range and a record number of people moving into Gem County and surrounding areas. Gem County Rod & Gun Club has the lowest membership fee in Southwest Idaho for its size and offers pistol ranges, rifle ranges and a shotgun range. In addition, it holds many national, state and local shooting and learning events. No decision on raising the membership fee as of yet. President Larry Robertson also discusses the problem of a member asking for a

replacement membership card and giving it to an individual who has not paid for a membership. President Robertson suggests a fee to be charged for replacing lost cards. Director Paul Kaczmarek makes a motion to charge club members a fee of \$10 if they lose their membership card and need a replacement. Treasurer Shannon Wells seconds the motion and it carries.

**Wording on membership application, website and gun range signs:** The wording for our rules concerning anyone under the age of 18 at the range on the clubs website needs to be revised. VP Heather Bunting will present a few wording options for the GCR&GC website at the June meeting.

Treasurer Shannon Wells makes a motion to adjourn the May 13<sup>th</sup> monthly Gem County Rod & Gun Club BOD/Officers monthly meeting. The motion is seconded by VP Heather Bunting and it carries.