

# **Gem County Rod & Gun Club Meeting Minutes**

## **September 9th, 2024**

**Directors Present:** Director Larry Albaugh, Director Robert Thomason, Director William Barry, Director Paul Kaczmarek

**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 7:00 pm on September 9th, 2024 at the Senior-Community Center located on 719 S Johns Ave in Emmett, Idaho.

Director Robert Thomason makes a motion to approve the August 2024 BOD/Officers monthly meeting minutes. The motion is seconded by Treasurer Shannon Wells and it carries.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Shannon Wells reports \$18,333.34 in the checking account and \$84,203.02 in the savings account. Membership so far for 2024 is 1474. Treasurer Shannon Wells states she has received several notices that some members will not be renewing their membership due to the membership fee increase. In general, most members say that the increase in membership fee was very reasonable and that they understand why it was necessary.

**Member Concerns:** None

**Range Report:** Director Robert Thomason reports that the gun range road is looking very good and the range in general is very dry. The range usage is starting to increase significantly as it does every year around hunting season. Pistol bays have seen considerable usage and members have been shooting targets on pallets and leaving all the pieces on the range. The gongs on the pistol ranges are all operable as well as the couple gongs on the rifle ranges.

**Trainers on the range without Board permission:** Jim Rewald talks to the Board of Directors/Officers about giving Idaho Enhanced Concealed Carry classes at the Gem County Rod & Gun Club. Jim has about 8 students per class and has the classroom portion in Eagle. Jim has two RSO's and spends about 5 hours on the range per reservation. Treasurer Shannon Wells makes a motion to allow Jim Rewald to give gun classes at the Gem County Rod & Gun Club. Director Larry Albaugh seconds the motion and it carries.

**Monitoring at the Range:** There was much discussion about the gentleman caught shooting a shoulder fired weapon on the pistol range. This member knew it was against the rules but said he did it because he thought there was no enforcement of rules at the range. Director William Barry states that the members who are caught need to be sanctioned to put the message out that the range is being monitored. There was discussion of adding a watch tower as well as installing more camera's. It was agreed that more

cameras and a watch tower would seem very unwelcoming to members of the Club. Director William Barry says that the electronic gate will solve a lot of the problems the Club is currently experiencing and will not seem unwelcoming to the Club's membership.

Idaho power was approached to see if they would allow a keypad to be installed on their side of the property line for the electronic gate proposal. Idaho Power agreed to it as well as a possible cement pad if they were provided a set of plans. President Larry Robertson said the next step in this plan is to obtain some serious bids for an electronic gate. Director Larry Albaugh was asked to seek out quotes for the Club. There was much discussion on the operation of an electronic gate.

Treasurer Shannon Wells makes a motion to adjourn the September monthly Gem County Rod & Gun Club BOD/Officers meeting. It is seconded by VP Heather Bunting and it carries.