Gem County Rod & Gun Club October 2026 Monthly BOD Minutes

719 S. Johns Ave - Gem County Community Senior Center
October 12, 2026, 7pm

Directors Present
Director Paul Kaczmarek
Director Russ Escalera
Director Joe Ziemann

Officers Present
President Larry Albaugh
Treasurer Doug Argo

Members and Guests Present:
Sam Walker

Called to Order at 7:00 pm by President Albaugh

September 2026 Minutes
September 2026 minutes were emailed to each Officer and Director for review prior to the meeting. Treasurer Doug Argo makes a Motion to approve the September 2026 Minutes with no changes, Second received from Director Russ Escalera. Motion Passed unanimously to Accept the September 2026 Minutes, September 2026 Minutes will be added to the GCRGC website.

October 2026 Treasurer's Report - Treasurer Doug Argo
09-30-2026 US Bank Checking Balance $22,999.03
09-30-2026 US Bank CD Balance $25,432.11
09-25-2026 Edward Jones Combined Balances $183,604.93

Treasurer Argo noted continuing discrepancies on the “Financial Position” report, these are due to entries and changes as the CPA continues to rebuild and consolidate the early 2025 Key Bank records with the US Bank account after August 2025.

Until the CPA completes their entries and changes there will be some conflicting reports in the Quickbooks account.

Director Ziemann noted a discrepancy in the Guest Fee between the “Statement of Activity” and the Guest Pass report. President Albaugh explains that the Guest Pass Report is generated from the online store and records each event. Members can pay the fee through the website, these payments process through the Stripe payment account and then import as “Membership”. Others may pay their Guest Fee onsite, they drop off payment. These cash payments are then deposited and recorded as Guest Fees. We also still have some members that don’t complete the online portion and drop their Guest Fee with no record on the report.

Motion to approve the October 2026 Treasurer's Report was made by Director Russ Escalera, Second received from Director Joe Ziemann. Motion Approved Unanimously to accept the October 2026 Treasurers Report.

Members Concerns

Member Sam Walker asked how the club would accept any donations made to the club made on behalf of a member or estate. Currently GCRGC operates as a 501(c)(7) non profit, donations may not have any tax benefit to the donor. Other members have made similar inquiries in the past, a discussion will take place between GCRGC and our accountant and legal representative to determine the best path forward for any Donor and GCRGC.

Membership Report - As of September 30, 2026 the 2026 Membership is 1114, up 24 from August 31, 2026 with. 100+ on the WaitList. Additional members will be added as space becomes available. There is another Member Orientation scheduled for October 29, 2026. There will be 1 or 2 additional orientations scheduled before we begin the renewal period in November.

Range Status - President Albaugh

Range use has increased significantly for hunting season and the nice Fall weather. Trash has also increased, several members are still bringing their household trash for targets then filling the trash cans with bulky items. Roads and bays are in good shape. All trash was removed and all target backers were replaced at the beginning of October.

A 20' storage container appeared above Rifle Bay 1 in the past month, the camera footage will need to be reviewed to determine who brought it in.

The inventory of target backers and sticks has been depleted, There is an additional $350 in the 2026 budget for target backers, an order will be placed to replace the backer inventory not to exceed $350.

The final steps to complete the gate and small front container project include adding a lockable box and switch, a Lost and Found Box, mounting the Trebby Plaque, and a protective bollard. The lock and switch is to disable the gate in the event of an emergency. This would allow EMS/Fire/Law to lock the gate open while they mitigate any incident on or near the range requiring access on or through GCRGC property.

We will be sourcing a mid size truck box that will be mounted to the small container to serve as a Lost and Found cache. The protective bollard will be replacing the temporary 4x4 that was installed near the NW corner of the small container to protect it from vehicle traffic.

These final steps are part of the original gate infrastructure plan that was previously approved and budgeted.

Several of the club steel trailers need new tires. The tires hold air for a day or two before going flat. The tires are badly weathered, sidewalls are splitting. A local tire shop will be contacted for an estimate to replace the bad tires.

Installation of the WiFi cameras on the rifle bays was put on hold until the increased range use declines. Cameras are operational, they just need to be mounted when there is less traffic on the range.

Director Russ Escalera investigated the leaking storage unit being used by Cowboy and Wild Bunch. There is a previous tear and patch to the aluminum roof skin. He was able to temporarily add a sealer to the damaged area, this will be reevaluated after there is some rain.

Any new projects or maintenance will be held off until Spring 2027, this would include a Range Clean Up Day, relocation and placing the upper storage container on a concrete base and eliminating the railroad ties it is currently sitting on, relocating the lower storage container and repairing the erosion that is currently under and beside it.

Legal Oversight - Review

GCRGC formally submitted its intent to retain Kincaid Law on September 29, 2026 for any required legal services or review, and to remain our Registered Agent. They are currently reviewing our Bylaws, Rules, and Waiver. As soon as we receive their recommendations we will be able to make changes and update the website so we can open up our membership renewal.

Shooting Discipline and Event Support

Last month we discussed how GCRGC could support any of our current GCRGC sponsored shooting matches and events. USPSA has requested some financial support to rebuild the club walls. The USPSA Match Director provided a detailed request, including proposed costs to build new walls and bases. As a follow up to the discussion from September 2026, President Albaugh prepared a policy proposal that provides direction for any shooting discipline to request support from GCRGC. This included a process to submit requests, defined the support limits, and the approval and reimbursement process.

A motion to accept the policy was made by Director Joe Ziemann, a Second was made by Treasurer Doug Argo. The Motion Passed unanimously to Accept the Shooting Discipline support policy.

Each discipline or match director will be contacted and asked to submit any requests prior to the November 2026 meeting for review and inclusion in the 2027 budget..

Range Tools

The club has purchased basic hand tools and several cordless tools needed for range maintenance and repairs. This includes a ¼” cordless driver, 6 1/2” cordless circular saw, ½

impact, ½" impact sockets, and wrenches. Shovels and rakes have not yet been purchased, these are available locally and will be added soon.

Taxes 2025

The CPA continues working to rebuild the 2025 financial records and complete the 2025 taxes.

Gem County Assessor

VP Timony is going to contact the Gem County Assessor and see if there is a possibility of a refund based on the significant change in the appraised value of the GCRGC property from 2025 to 2026. No update

Member Rules Violation and Suspension

Following email discussion and a vote amongst all Officers and Directors, Member 26-00754 was permanently banned from GCRGC for violations on August 14, 2026. A follow up discussion detailed the importance of enforcing club rules especially following a known significant violation.

Membership Fees Review

President Albaugh has begun preparing the 2027 budget and has some concerns about our annual Insurance review and potential increases of the policy premium. In addition to a possible insurance increase our operations costs have increased slightly with the new gate and the wifi to operate it. Now would be a good time to consider a small increase to help offset those costs before we open our renewals in November. When compared against other local clubs, GCRGC remains an exceptional value at about half of what other clubs charge. A $5 annual increase now would cover the increases and not be a significant increase to individual members.

Officer and Director Attendance

In the past 16 months we have had declining participation from both Directors and Officers. In several cases attendance of regular board meetings below 50%, on three occasions we lacked the required quorum to complete club business or the required club elections. President Albaugh will be contacting these individuals and trying to determine if they have the time and dedication to continue to hold their position.

No Additional actions or agenda items

Motion to adjourn brought by Treasurer Doug Argo, Motion 2nd by Director Joe Ziemann. Motion Approved Unanimously with the meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm

Next meeting November 9th, 2026 at 7 pm