

ESTES PARK GUN & ARCHERY CLUB

January 2008 Annual Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM on January 17, 2008, by David Bruce, 1st Vice President, as President Conland had resigned the previous week.

Mr. Bruce read a number of resignations from the Board, including all current Board members except Jim Cohen, who has two years remaining on his term.

Mr. Bruce introduced Sharyn Gartner, the Cleanup Committee Chair.

Ms. Gartner delineated the clean-up progress for the year, and thanked her committee members for their hard work.

Bill Conger made a motion, seconded by Paul Kuna, that there be multiple cleanup days, rather than just the two listed on the 2008 membership card, and the the \$50 assessment fee for persons not attending a cleanup day be retained. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Dave Norman had a signup sheet for those interested in serving on the cleanup committee for 2008. Paul Kuna had a signup sheet for those having earth moving equipment available to the Club's outdoor range projects.

Mr. Bruce then awarded a door prize of a automobile gun caddy, which had been donated by Ms. Gartner.

Mr. Bruce then introduced Rick Spowart of the Colorado Department of Wildlife.

Mr. Spowart then spoke for some minutes covering various topics, including:

- The new director of DOW is Tom Runnington, who has a hunting background.
- DOW will do some feeding of elk and deer this year, particularly on the west slope.
- Discussed the possibility of hunting in RMNP.
- Told us there was higher than usual bear and lion activity this summer.

Mr. Bruce returned to the podium and explained the derivation of the \$50 non-cleanup fee.

Mr. Bruce gave the treasurer's report, stating that as of today the club bank account contains \$19,451.38

Mr. Bruce gave us an update on the Bill Horton trial. The first trial ended in a hung jury, because nine of the jurors felt he didn't intend to steal. The second trial will proceed, with the pretrial hearing having occurred today, and the trial scheduled for January 28th.

Mr. Bruce than made a motion that a \$50 gift certificate be given to Rob Conland in

recognition of all of the work he has done regarding the trial process. Motion seconded by Jim Cohen, Amended by Ralph "Bud" Walsh to increase the amount to \$100. Motion carried.

Mr. Bruce thanked Jim Cohen for all his work on updating the website.

Mr. Bruce then addressed the issue of the \$100,000 cleanup bond required by the EVPRD. The Board failed to meet the Department's December 31 deadline because they had several questions, including whether or not other ranges located on Bureau of Reclamation property were required to have a cleanup bond, and if so, how was it funded? He mentioned that Ms. Gartner had asked for a six week extension at the Parks Board meeting on January 15.

Mr. Bruce discussed the options the EPG&AC Board had considered, including the assessment to all members of an unknown amount, but probably in the area of \$200 each, and the ramifications of such an assessment on past, current, and future members.

David Smith, a club member in attendance, volunteered to work on the Bond issue, as he has experience in this area.

Someone in the audience asked about the use of the public access fee charged to the public on Saturdays. Mr. Bruce explained that there had been no public range use in some time, because no one would volunteer to serve as the range officer. Ms. Z mentioned that, due to liability issues, all range officers must now be NRA certified.

Mr. Bruce indicated that there are new design plans being considered for the outdoor range.

Mr. Bruce then conducted the annual elections. He announced that the following persons had agreed to serve on the Board for 2008:

<i>Office</i>	<i>Nominee</i>
President	Sharyn Gartner
1 st Vice President	David Norman
2 nd Vice President	Paul Kuna
Secretary	Jeff Van Bogaert
Treasurer	Don Osborn

There were three volunteers from the floor for the three vacant Board Positions, Bill Prohs, Bill Conger, and Jim Wilson. [After the election the offices were distributed by lot. Bill Prohs accepted the one year term, Jim Wilson accepted the two year term, and Bill Conger accepted the three year term.]

It was then moved and seconded that the nominations be closed, and the nominees were elected by voice vote.

Jim Cohen remains on the Board to complete the last two years of his three year term.

Sharyn Gartner then adjourned the meeting at about 7:20 PM, there being no further business to transact.

Respectfully submitted by Jeff Van Bogaert, Secretary.

Minutes approved by Board action on January 25, 2008.