

Estes Park Gun & Archery Club
Annual Membership Meeting – January 17, 2013
Draft Minutes

7:00 PM Troop 10 Boy Scouts color guard presented the colors and lead the pledge of allegiance.

Gordon Ulrickson, Interim President and Presiding Officer

Called the meeting to order, 7:00pm, at American Legion Post 119, Estes Park.

Larimer County Sheriff Justin Smith gave updates on Colorado, county and US policies and actions. He announced his Facebook presence as 'sheriffjustinsmith' and after comments, opened the floor for Q & A.

Patty Eldridge, Treasurer

Presented treasurer's report for 2012 with P & L for budgeted versus actual and followed with Q & A.

New Business

Opened the floor for new business where **Sharyn Gartner, Past President**, made a motion to increase annual member dues starting in 2014 to \$75 to cover the Rec District's range clean-up bond. Discussion followed.

Recreation District as the owner of the ranges, as part of contract negotiations with the club, is asking for a \$5,000 per year contribution to a range clean-up bond up to a maximum of \$100K. The increase in dues will help to fund that bond expense. The "Common Point" range has been owned by the Bureau of Reclamation (water tunnels) and it has offered 35 acres to EVPRD. EVPRD has 10 acres at this point. BOR only needs an easement to the tunnels for repairs. When the additional land was offered to EVPRD and then asked the club, all was set for transfer. The process is a transfer between government entities and involves no transfer of funds.

Grants have provided monies for the shot barrier curtain project and other range projects - in answer to how much of the club funds went to the curtain project.

EVPRD will require "public shoot days" that will create some income for the club. \$8 per round for trap was suggested. Point was made from the floor that 'guests' should pay to support the clean-up bond (i.e. instead of increasing member dues) at the pistol/rifle ranges.

Motion carries and dues increase to \$75/year starting in 2014.

Unfinished business

Selected clean-up leaders for 2 indoor and 5 outdoor clean-up activities.

Selected the 'financial review committee' members. Don Stoppel and Tom Gresslin.

Nomination of officers for 2013

Bill Howell nominated for board director at large for 3 year term, nomination accepted.

Douglas Tabor for club secretary for 2013.

Slate of officers (with above additions, ballot included all existing board and execs) voted in by the membership for 2013.

At the January 2013 board meeting a request for additional Range Safety Officers was made. The club will offer training for those interested.

2012 year in review

Sharyn Gartner covered range use, clean-up activities, misuse of ranges (shooting trees, signs, dumpsters and floor at the indoor range). In addition, gave an update in pictures the progress on the trap range shot barrier curtain project.

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Other business

Gordon thanked Sharyn and the shot barrier curtain project team for their efforts. Gordon also thanked the many businesses that contribute and support the club [door prizes and other support]. Also thanked EVPRD and DOW for the grants issue to the club in 2012.

It was also mentioned that *Pheasants Forever* will visit our range in June for instructor training.

Question - will the club have a membership drive? Answer - No, nothing formal at this point. Note: 600 member limitation.

Question - Plans to re-do the upper rifle range. Answer - Discussion still under way. Funding is the biggest obstacle.

Skylar Rorabauch (Executive Director of Estes Valley Recreation and Parks District and now EPGAC member) Introduction and comments made about working with the club and the ranges.

Door prize drawings.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

Reported by Jonathan Martin and Douglas Tabor