

Estes Park Gun & Archery Club

P.O. Box 982, Estes Park CO 80517

Board Meeting Minutes February 11, 2008

- I. The Board meeting was convened by Pres. Sharyn Gartner at 7:05 PM on February 11, 2008, at the REMAX conference room. Present were Dave Norman, Paul Kuna, Bill Prohs, Don Osborn, Jim Wilson, Bill Conger, and Jeff Van Bogaert. Jim Cohen was absent.
- II. The proposed agenda was reviewed and adopted unanimously.
- III. The minutes of the Board Meeting of January 25th were reviewed and approved unanimously.
- IV. Officer Reports
 - A. President's Report.
 - i. Mrs. Gartner reviewed correspondence with various persons including E-mails with Drew Stoll with EDAW and John Higgs, a NRA instructor.
 - ii. Mrs. Gartner discussed member inquiries including one from Bill Anderson, who joined in August 2007, and had requested a waiver from the \$50 cleanup requirement. After discussion, Mrs. Gartner decided to refuse his request. Members Cropley and Stutler asked to use a portable trap machine at the rifle range. After discussion it was decided that this would still be counter to the EPA requirements and the request will be refused.
 - iii. Mrs. Gartner clarified that for NRA affiliated clubs at least three of the Board officers and 50% of the members must be NRA members. This is also the requirement for NRA liability insurance.
 - B. 1st Vice President's Report.
 - i. Mr. Norman has investigated Range Safety Officer (RSO, formerly Range Officer) training. The best offer so far is from Pro Fire USA, who will come to our location and conduct the training at a discount, depending on the number of participants. The class is nine hours. He will continue to explore other options. He needs to know who would be interested in becoming a RSO.
 - ii. The Cleanup Committee, now chaired by Dave Norman and including Bill Conger and Ray Dunkelman, have established the cleanup dates for 2008 as

follows:

Sunday, May 18
Saturday, June 14
Friday, June 27
Sunday, July 13
Thursday, August 14
Saturday, September 13

Rain dates will be one week later.

- iii. Mr. Norman reported on the cleanup of the indoor range, which was extensive. He worked with Bill Conger and Paul Kuna on this project, and thanked them for all their hard work.
- iv. Mr. Norman has received a request that a container be installed at the outdoor range to securely house targets, target stands, etc. He is investigating the feasibility of doing this.
- v. Mr. Norman distributed an inventory of the Club's firearms and bows.

C. 2nd Vice President's Report. Mr. Kuna has been reviewing the condition and procedures for the indoor range, and will be recommending changes shortly.

D. Secretary's Report.

- i. Mr. Van Bogaert discussed the membership records and his efforts to clarify who is a member, what they owe if anything, and who still needs and is entitled to membership cards.
- ii. Mr. Van Bogaert discussed the membership application and approval process, and will be submitting a revised application form and approval procedures for Board approval

E. Treasurer's Report.

- i. Mr. Osborn presented a report on receipts and expenditures. The Club currently has \$23,435 in its' bank account.
- ii. Mr. Osborn is searching for someone to audit the Club's books for last year. He has contacted several people, but has not yet been successful.

V. Committee Reports

- A. Horton Trial. Jim Wilson reported on the status of the Horton trial. A new ADA will be assigned, but this has not yet happened. Additional delays are foreseen. Mr. Wilson has determined that we have three years from the date of the discovery of the theft to initiate civil action against Mr. Horton.

- B. Website. Mr. Cohen was absent, and no website report was available. Mr. Van Bogaert suggested an alternate and cheaper hosting service (we currently use Earthlink), and proposed other changes, which he will discuss with Mr. Cohen on his return.

- C. Mill Levy Committee. Mr. Kuna reported for the Mill Levy Committee. They have met and discussed the pros and cons of using the mill levy as a funding source. They have identified seven improvement items, which include:
 - i. New/revised/refurbished back stops for the rifle and pistol ranges,
 - ii. Road improvements,
 - iii. Lead mitigation,
 - iv. Reestablishing a trap range, if feasible,
 - v. Revising the archery range,
 - vi. Implementing ADA access, and
 - vii. Installing solar toilets.

- D. Cleanup Bond Committee. Mr. Norman reported on the following points of action proposed by the Committee:
 - i. Identify the public and private entities to be approached for funds and/or lines of credit, including a timeline for completion of the identification process and for approaching the entities.
 - ii. Ensure that the \$100,000 is the limit of our liability.
 - iii. Determine sources of grants for funding the bond.
 - iv. Explore the feasibility of becoming an advisory board to the EVRPD Board rather than a concessionaire.
 - v. Explore the possibility of divesting ourselves of the outdoor range, while retaining the indoor range.
 - vi. Explore NRA and other sources of fund raising.

VI. Unfinished Business: No one had any unfinished business to discuss.

VII. New Business:

- A. Mrs. Gartner will be producing a newsletter to be mailed to all members. It will include the range cleanup dates, RSO information, the list of officers elected in January, clarification of the dues structure, and the availability of reduced rate NRA applications at True Value Hardware, kindly made available by Mr. Prohs.

- B. Mrs. Gartner will also try to get articles about club activities into the various local papers, and to get us reinstated into the Community Resource Guide.

VIII. Meeting Adjourned by Sharyn Gartner at 9:45 PM

Respectfully submitted by Jeff Van Bogaert, Secretary

Noted and approved: March 10, 2008