

Estes Park Gun & Archery Club

August 11, 2014 – Board Meeting

ReMax Mountain Brokers, 1200 Graves, Estes Park

Gordon Ulrickson called the meeting to order at 7:00am (1900) with attending board members, Jim Bish, Katherine Robbins, Doug Tabor, Jim Cozzie, Sharyn Gartner, Steve Murphree, Rick Tekulve and Bill Howell.

First order of business was to adopt the Agenda. A motion was presented, seconded and carried to adopt the agenda. Secretary minutes were presented by previous e-mail and in hand, motion to adopt as read, seconded and approved.

Gordon presented his Presidents Report indicating that he had responded to e-mails from the membership regarding Range activities, Opening of the Outdoor Range and inquiries regarding members who were interested in taking over days or extending days and times at the Indoor Range. That issue would be discussed under "New Business." Gordon then forwarded any new bills to Sharyn for payment and sent out an e-mail blast for the "Special" Clean-Up Day.

1st V.P. Katherine Robbins put together a list of Gun Clubs in the area that members could go to since EVGAC would not be able to provide full services until the Outdoor Range would be open. She also indicated that the information would be listed in an article that she planned to write and place on the clubs website and to Gordon's Cleanup day e-mail blast.

2nd V.P. Randy Buchanan advised that Jim Boyd would be holding a class on August 16th and that the Larimer County Sheriff was scheduled for "Training Days" on August 19th, 21st and 26th, however, due to the Outdoor Range not being accessible, those dates would have to be canceled. Randy advised that he would contact LCSO and advise them.

Gordon commented on the "Keep Out" signs that were posted next to the Excavator on the Common Points Road. It was unknown by any Board Members as to who had the authority to stake the signs. There was discussion about retrieving the club signs and gate leading into Common Point that still appeared to be useable.

Treasurer, Sharyn, handed out the July Profit & Lost report giving a Bank Statement Balance of \$58,369.80 (7-31-14). A Total of \$1,128.69 in invoices listed on the agenda were approved for payment. Sharyn answered a question from the membership regarding the clubs non-profit status with a bank balance over \$50K. Our 501 (c) 4 non-profit requires with in same year not to have earned more than \$50K which allows the Club to file the IRS E990 tax form. From previous years of not bringing our balance to zero, we have carried over \$43,404.16, thus the current bank balance. Sharyn also talked about the installation of a drainage system from the sump pumps and away from the Indoor Range. Sharyn and Gordon also discussed their presence at the Estes Valley Recreational and Park District Meeting. No inquiry was made regarding the sharing of rental fees for the Port-A-Jon since the Public not associated with the use of the Indoor Range also used the facilities. A letter however will be drafted

and sent to the EVRPD requesting the sharing of fees. The EVRPD also discussed the posting of operational hours of the Indoor Range inserted into a brochure that was due this past Friday.

Sharyn discussed the cost of the propane and the rental of the tank and whether the club should prepay in order to guarantee a stable price for the propane. There was a motion to buy the prepaid Polar Gas and tank rental, seconded and approved.

Board Member, Doug Tabor sent out via e-mail, a chart regarding the utilization of the Indoor Range. The Chart was passed out at this Board Meeting. The chart was divided into several categories: Month, Members, Non-Members (Public), Classes, EPPD and RMNP.

A Membership Report by Membership Chairman Bob Mitchiner showed that as of August 11, 2014, there were 47 New Members. Life Members who have renewed were 20. Annual Members who have renewed were 384, with 451 total active members. Annual Members who have not renewed was at 169. Members who will do 2 Clean-Ups in 2014, 69 and Members who have completed their 2 Cleans up days for 2014, 5. Total Membership Receipts for July 2014 were \$0.

Under New Business, Gordon discussed the fact that to date there have only been two members who have requested a refund of the membership fees. Being proactive Sharyn discussed the possibility of shifting the 2014, \$75.00 membership fee into 2015 or take half or \$35.00 and shift that to the 2015 Membership Fee. Further members might also be able to shift the credit for their Clean Up duties in 2015. This is due to the fact that Outdoor Range has been closed and its opening this season is questionable. Further, many members do not and have never used the Indoor Range. On the matter of further granting of membership refunds the Board engaged in a long discussion regarding this matter. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved that no further membership refunds would be granted. Any further discussion regarding the shifting of membership fees or credits would be carried over in the September 2014 Board Meeting.

With regards to the opening of the Outdoor Range, it was discussed at the EVRPD Meeting that sometime in August or September the bridge leading into the Outdoor Range would be repaired however there were some issues with the contract. Further the road work needed to access the Outdoor Range would be done in mid to late October 2014. All this is speculation. One of the issues is that the bridge needs to be repaired first before a contract is given for the road repair. It is believed that FEMA will provide \$700K for the repairs and the EVRPD will have to add an additional \$94K. The problem is that the monies will have to be paid up front and it is questionable whether the funds are currently available. There was talk of a temporary road but it is believed that if that was done FEMA would not provide the funds for a permanent road suggesting that a temporary road would be adequate. Further there are delays in the contract between the National Park Service who approves the use of the land at the Outdoor Range and the EVRPD who oversees it. One suggestion was to have the membership contact their Local, State and Federal Representative to try and expedite this matter after Skyler has submitted this latest Concessionaire Agreement to NPS for draft approval. A seconded issue not related to the bridge and road repair, is the need to take down the Shot Barrier Curtains before winter and they suffer any further damage. As of this date 4-5 Curtains are in need of repair and or replacement

On the subject of the two members assisting who have expressed interest in help with the Indoor Range. The Board felt that it would be in the interest of the Club Membership to contact these two members and mentor them in the operation of the Indoor Range and providing any training that would be necessary. An update on their progress would be given at the September 2014 Board Meeting.

Gordon discussed the Clean Up-Report that Sharyn provided detailing the work that was done and needed to be done on a future clean-up day currently scheduled for August 23rd, 2014. Rick will coordinate with Sharyn regarding the work that needs to be done on that date. Rick will submit to Gordon any special information needed for the membership who are scheduled to work that day, on to the website.

Rick suggested that anyone with ideas as to future work projects that can be done for the remaining Clean-Up Days submit them as soon as possible as there are only two such days left.

Rick also reminded the Board that it would be a good time to inquire with sponsors for prizes at the Annual Meeting.

Adjourn: 8:38pm (2038)

Respectfully Submitted

William G. Howell, Secretary