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November 6, 2024 Meeting Summary

Meeting called to order by President Gary Griswold at 7 pm

Secretaries report from the October 2, 2024 meeting were read and accepted as read

Treasurers report for October was read and accepted as read.

Note: Trap Shooting funds turned in for deposit was \$1240 dollars. Don Dodge thanked All those that have been participating.

Old Business:

January Meeting date

The first Wednesday in January is New Years Day. So we will be checking with the Legion to See if Wednesday January 8th is open.

Mike Murray indicated that Wednesday January 8th is the Legions January Meeting date.

Ann will check with Joy Henson at the Legion for an available date. Will email the group and Post on the website when a date is confirmed.

Work Day

Would like to schedule a work day to get the clubhouse winterized and do any other tidying up we have to do. A discussion of who would be available and what day proceeded. Possibly doing the needed things before or after shooting on Sunday was mentioned.

A day was not proposed and nothing was put on the calendar for this.

Enclosing a portion of the covered range area

Ed Fisher has been getting some pricing on materials to enclose a portion of the covered Shooting area for Sunday Mornings during the winter. Approximate cost would be \$1500.

We would put a heater in that area for those really cold mornings.

Materials for doing the enclosed space where discussed.

We did not make a motion to do this work at this meeting.

Insulating the Trap Building

This was discussed previously. It was mentioned again but the individual that was going to Supply us with a cost to do the insulating has left the company he was with and we do not have an estimate nor have we contacted any other company about foam insulation for the Trap Building.

New Business:

Youth Trap

Gary is trying to set up a schedule to Meet with the Principal of the Woodsville High School To talk about the Youth Trap Shooting.

It starts back up when school goes back into session in September in southern NH and the State of Vermont.

Other questions for the Principals in the area:

What can we do to get youth in the area interested in Youth Trap and other shooting sports?

What could the club do to have the young people come out and shoot?

Discussion on firearms and ammunition for the shooters, and getting the parents on board With the program.

Group Interested in 4-H Shooters Group

A husband & wife from Littleton, he is a former police officer and currently a member of The Littleton EMS squad. Are working to start a 4-H shooters group. We had a 4-H group a Few years ago that used our facility for their practice, but that all stopped when Covid happened.

Mowing Expense

Cost of mowing for the year was asked for. Paul Doolittle provided the approximate cost, it can vary. It was approximately \$3,000 for the year. Mowing was done every Tuesday for most of the summer.

A suggestion was made to look into the purchase of a Zero Turn mower for the club and enlisting 'volunteers' to do the mowing.

It was suggested to let the grass grow a little taller, as we will be having tick control put on the field in the spring/summer.

Improper Behavior on the Range

It was reported that some individuals came in. A long time member was present and reminded them of proper procedure, placing targets and shooting.

The individuals were shooting but not hitting the targets. They also picked up some Unbroken clay pigeons and started shooting those. Bullets were going over the top of the Berm. The long time member spoke with them and finally had to tell them to 'knock it off' and they did stop. No number plate was taken so we can't attempt to identify them and the cameras were checked but we did not find a recording that could identify them. If you see someone you don't know ask for their name and to see their membership badge.

Survey to assess Gun Handling

It was suggested that we add a survey to the Membership application to help determine the guns our members have, the gun handling experience they have.

Possibly have a gun safety and handling as part of the Orientation.

Offer from Individual to do small classes for Gun Safety

We have had a licensed individual that is insured offer to do small group or individual Training for gun safety and handling to our members and their families and friends.

This will need more discuss with the individual about what he wants to offer and when he would want to hold the classes.

Suggestion to have a sign in sheet for when members come to the range.

It was mentioned that other clubs use the honor system and have a sign in sheet for those That come to the range to shoot when there is not an organized shoot being held. Suggestions made for location of 'clip board' for signing in. Someone suggested asking Retiree members of the club to spend some time down at the As a 'moderator' to note those that come, the time they arrive, the time they leave.

Electronic Gate

The mention of getting cards and an electronic gate was brought up again. The cost of these Electronic gates, the gate cards and the maintenance that is require is very expensive. It was suggested that Gary get in touch with another club that has an electronic gate and See what they paid, who did their set up and install and what the yearly maintenance is. It would also require a computer and recording equipment behind that gate as well as the Needed storage that would be necessary for the recording of the key swipes. Questions were asked about access for emergency services, the trash hauler and the Port-a-potty people.

Dominant Eye Training

The instructional material has been ordered and donated by Anthony Patti. We had enough Members interested in participating. Mr. Patti will review the course and do a presentation On the available course at the January or February Meeting. And get people scheduled after that presentation.

Gun Raffles

The subject of the different ways other clubs do their gun raffles was brought up. Mark Lancaster will see if he can get his son Mark, Jr. to speak at a future meeting on how Works with another group and their gun raffles, the types of guns, the costs of the average Gun in the raffle and the number and cost of the tickets they sell.

New Members to vote in:

We had 3 new members to vote in.

Lauren Olivia Murphy

There was some discussion based on her participation in the orientation she attended. Comments from her on 'who is going to teach me to use my gun' brought up hesitation from members on approving her membership. The decision was made to have Ann attempt to contact her and see where Ms. Murphy stands as far as her request for membership. Her membership vote was tabled.

Homer 'Sonny' Dion

His membership application was reviewed and was voted on and approved by the members present. He has completed his orientation.

Carl Dunn

His membership application was reviewed and voted on and approved by the members present. He will come on a Sunday during Trap shooting to do his Orientation.

Meeting was adjourned at 8 pm.