



Rupert Range, Inc.
A 501C-3 Corporation
Rupert, Idaho

Minutes of the
Rupert Range Board Meeting
Held September 7th, 2023

Minutes of the Rupert Range Board, held at Freedom Hall, September 7th, 2023, 7:00 p.m.

Board members present: Todd Wheeler, Jeff Heins, Chris Hall and Chace Thomas. Larry Matulis excused.

Additional attendees: Tony Poovey, Tina Morris, Milton Banner

Call to order 7:05.

Pledge and invocation

Approvals: Motion to approve minutes from August 7th, approved. Financial report, motion to approve approved. Checking balance \$5600.68, Cash on hand \$150.00, Savings (Scholarship fund) \$1500.00. Total \$7100.68. QM expenses 0, Verizon 0, Income 260.00 total, donations and Clang & Bang (\$55)

Discussion on Venmo/Paypal—account is set up and ready. It was discovered in the process that due to non filing of federal for 990, Rupert Range Inc. 501c3 status has been revoked. Larry is working on fixing the 501 status, and upon correcting the issue, Venmo and Paypal will be available.

Federal form 990 must be filed annually to maintain tax exempt status. Other filings discussed are the quarterly sales tax reporting and the annual filing with the Secretary of State for Idaho. The sales tax reporting is for any sales that occur on behalf of Rupert Range, Inc. (hat sales).

Discussion of sales tax led to the discussion of hats that are on order at Accurate Imprints in Rupert. Hats will be available for sale at Zombie Shoot.

Gate code will be changed by Jeff this week. Code will only be given out to active RSO's as needed.

Chris discussed parking lot lights, WIFI and range lights with Roger from the city. Roger indicated that the range lights will be taken care of soon. No indication of status on WIFI. Parking lot lights were also discussed.

Rupert Range has remaining budget from the City of \$1512. For the fiscal year. Approximately \$900 will be needed to finish the wall upgrade on range 3. A proposal was made by Jeff that we spend the remaining budget for railroad ties and parking lot lights, \$900 will go towards ties, the remaining will go towards two 400 watt Atlas lights for the parking lot. Additional funds from the general funds will be used as needed for the purchase of the lights. Chris will discuss the purchase with Roger, and Chace will make the purchases. Motion was 2nd by Chace, and carried unanimously.

It was discussed that the annual report should indicate where the \$2000 budget was used. Rebuilding of walls on range 2, 3 and 4, including ties, lags and hardware, parking lot lighting, general maintenance.

Discussion of the upcoming CCW Class fundraiser. The flyer is on the web site and facebook page. Todd will boost the post on facebook, and will send the flyer out via email to the RSO's and Friends.

The web site is under reconstruction under the direction of Larry, with Mel recreating the site. Hosting will shift from Hostgator to Godaddy. The calendar is currently unavailable until the site is moved.

No representation was in attendance for the 22 committee to move forward.

Concrete work will begin following the Republican Fundraiser on the 23rd of September, and should be completed by mid-October. Miles Construction will be performing the work. It was indicated that the entirety of work as discussed with Roger will be completed for the \$25K budget.

No representation was present for discussion of the Republican Fundraiser. Chace indicated that he had been contacted about the explosive target, so plans are moving forward. Todd will reach out to Dustin to see what additional help if any is needed from Rupert Range.

Tony inquired about the use of Pistol Caliber Carbine use on range one. It was discussed that usage would require a minimum distance rule from the targets, and the possibility that others would see the PCC and think it was ok to use an AR on the range. After discussion, it was decided that for the time being, PCCs will not be allowed on range one. This will be communicated to the RSO's via email.

Tony also brought some surplus gun safety/suicide prevention packets that had been given to him from Intermountain Health that will be made available at range functions.

Discussion on needed cleanup on Range 6 (22 range), as well as the possibility of mowing down the sides of the road. Due to non-usage of the range by the NRL22, the weeds have overgrown and need mowed. Discussion of possible fire hazard using a tractor mounted beater. It is unknown if the Republican fundraiser will be using range 6.

Discussion of possible application for the FNRA grant for this year. Larry and Todd had discussed the possibility of putting a shed on a concrete slab at range 6 for storage. It was decided that rather than start another project, maybe use the opportunity add additional concrete on range 2 for ADA access. It was proposed that we run a 10' concrete walkway down the center of range 2 from the shelter to the wall, and a 10' walkway in front of the wall. This would allow for ADA access to the targets, as well as allow 2 shooting lanes in the center of the range to be accessed by wheelchair. Todd will draw up the proposal, get a bid and submit it to Leslie for submission to the FNRA.

It was discussed that Larry is planning on running the Zombie Shoot again for this year.

Elections will need to be added to the October agenda. Due to scheduling conflicts, the October meeting was rescheduled for Monday, October 16th.

Brief discussion about RSO retention and recruitment. The RSO base is getting along in years.

Adjourned 8:55