

Minutes of the Rupert Range Board Meeting Held July 7th, 2022

Minutes of the Rupert Range Board, held at Freedom Hall, Rupert, Idaho, Thursday, July 7th, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

Board Members Present: Tony Poovey, Chace Thomas, Todd Wheeler, Jeff Heins. Absent Chris Hall Additional attendees AWA Chapter Lead Tina Morris, Mel Snyder, Larry Matulis, Esther Garner, Tyler Garner

Called to order by Tony 7:10

Pledge and Invocation

Approvals: Motion to approve minutes of June 2nd meeting by Todd, 2nd Chace, minutes approved. Financial report—motion to approve Jeff, 2nd Chace, approved. Checking balance \$3854.39, Cash on hand \$150.00, Savings (Scholarship Fund) \$1500.00.

Deadline for scholarship has passed. No additional applications were received. The scholarship board voted to not award scholarships this year. Discussion of possible reasons for no qualifying applicants. Communication breakdown with school counselors. Future communication will be through shooting coaches to eliminate miscommunications. Scholarship fund sits at \$1500.

Ester Garner has offered to paint mural(s) on the rail car. She has worked with the city before on painting projects. She is willing to donate her time, the range will furnish the supplies. Proposed a wildlife scene on west side with 2-3 large game animals and wilderness, Flag on the south end of the rail car. Ester will try and get on the agenda for City Council meeting on July 12th to present to the city for approval.

Clang and Bang shoot was successful. There were a total of 12 shooters. It appeared that all involved had a good time. Shoot finished around 12:00 noon, and the range was active following the shoot.

Dick Galbreth will possibly come out to the range July 9/10 to measure for gutters on range 3 shelter. Cost is unknown at this point, but may possibly be donated. No downspowts will be installed, just the overhead gutter.

Jeff is making progress on range insurance (Liability) with Lockton Affinity. Should have a quote in the coming week(s).

City budget request was discussed. \$600 for internet, \$400 for weed control, and \$600 plus one day of loader/grader usage with operator for Berm/road/parking lot maintenance.

Discussion of "rapid fire". The range rule sign mentions no "rapid fire". Have had instances of binary triggers being used at the range. It was decided that no action will be taken at present regarding use of binary triggers. Maybe just education to observers who may think the hear "automatic weapons". RSO's should watch closely for safety concerns and correct any issues. As "Bump stocks" have been federally banned, use of them is not allowed on the range. The board will monitor the use of binary triggers and take action at a later time if needed.

Safari shoot is scheduled for July 29th, 6:00 p.m. Posters have been put up at Cal stores, and Pawn and Auto. Additional signage should be delivered to Cedar Canyon, Reloading Center and Snyder's. The poster will be included in the email with the newsletter with instructions for people to share the info. Information is on Facebook and website.

Discussion of the car shell that is to be used at the Zombie shoot for exploding target. Ample time will be needed to make calculations, which will have to be submitted to the City and the City insurance for approval prior to the Zombie shoot.

Discussion of Grants—sound suppression on range 2 shelter. Todd will check with Kenny Reidlinger in regards to when NRA grant application is due. F&G grant has entered final stages, F&G requested arial photo overlays about where the concrete will be placed. Overlays supplied to the city and forwarded to the F&G.

Larry Matulis is constructing rifle racks for ranges 2, 3 and 4 which should be installed prior to the Safari Shoot on July 29th.

Motion to adjourn made by Jeff, 2nd Chace, meeting adjourned 8:05