

Minutes of the Rupert Range Board Meeting Held September 1st, 2022

Minutes of the Rupert Range Board, held at Freedom Hall, Rupert, Idaho, Thursday, September 1st, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

Board Members Present: Chris Hall, Tony Poovey, Chace Thomas, Todd Wheeler, Jeff Heins. Additional attendees Larry Matulis, Arturo Abuga

Called to order by Chris 7:05

Pledge and Invocation

Approvals: Motion to approve minutes of July 7th, meeting by Jeff, 2nd Chace, minutes approved. (No meeting was held in August due to Minidoka County Fair and schedule conflicts) Financial report—motion to approve Jeff, 2nd Tony, approved. Checking balance \$3756.29, Cash on hand \$150.00, Savings (Scholarship Fund) \$1500.00.

Tony discussed quartermaster expenses, staples, sandbags, wasp spray, gun cleaning kit (for persons showing up with a new uncleaned gun.)

Still up in the air with Rail Car mural, Rain Gutters, and insurance for the range. Will be brought forward to next meeting.

FNRA Grant window is through November 1st. Todd brought up the "Capital Improvement Project" grants available through FNRA that would cover the asphalt on range 2. After discussion, it was decided to ask Leslie Garner to pursue that funding. Todd will contact Leslie.

Arturo Abuga presented a desire to offer shooting courses at the range for the public. A small fee would be charged for the courses. Topics covered would include marksmanship, gun safety (emphasis on handguns), cardinal range rules, gun cleaning, why training is important, weapons malfunctions, etc. Arturo shared his credentials, which included extensive training with military and police in his home country of the Philippines, certified in NRA, and pursuing certification in USCCA. It was presented that he would not be teaching to either NRA or USCCA, but from personal experience and training, therefore no certifications would come with the class completion. It would be information only. Classes would be geared to beginner, intermediate, and advanced. Arturo expressed a desire to teach movement training (aka tactical training), which is not permitted at the range, except by police/sheriff departments. A waiver from the city would need to be granted. Student to teacher ratio is planned at 1:10, but said he could enlist help from RSO's to cut down ratio. He presented a written prospectus of "Marksmanship Training" to the board. It was decided that Arturo would need to attend the October Board meeting and

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bring with him his training certificates/credentials, along with, at minimum, a personal insurance quote, that can be presented to the city to request approval from the city.

Discussion of Zombie shoot and preparations—Tony will get with Milt Banner and see if he would assist Larry Matulis in overseeing the shoot. Shoot is scheduled for October 29th. Information was given to Amanda Larson to be put into the "Harvest Haunt" publications for the city of Rupert.

Meeting adjourned 8:10