

Minutes – Officers & Trustee MCSA Meeting 04/15/24

PRESENT

Officers

Scott McClure, President —
Vacant, Vice President
Michelle Weber Treasurer
~~Sandy Smart, Secretary~~

Trustees

Ben Brown, Aaron Bruns, Tom Cole, Mike Lehman Mark Linn Annette McClure-
Bob Meihls ~~Matt Walker~~ ~~Chris Weaver~~ Nathan Wenning

Members Present – Jason Ruble, Dave Freeman. Cindy Freeman, Brad Buening, Dan Adams, Kevin Weber, John Mangen, Eric Showalter, Steve Ewry

President Scott McClure called the meeting to order.

Minutes from the Mar.18,2024 meeting were reviewed.

Approved by acclimation.

Financial Report

Report on financials were sent to trustees earlier via email.

Mar. income was	\$ 2,910.84
Mar expenses were	\$4,741.16
Mar. net income was	-\$ 1,830.29
Balance in checkbook is	\$28385.24 as of Apr. 12, 2024

Financials were accepted by acclimation.

Membership Report

Annette McClure reported that we have 454 active paid members, 20 Life memberships, 31 worker memberships, and 9 Honorary memberships, which totals 514 members actively supporting our club. Included in active paid membership are 21 Spousal memberships.

NEW APPLICATIONS:

Joseph C. Backs ~ **Ref:** Mike Freeman & Paul Koesters
Employment: Machine Pro Technologies

Rex A. Miller ~ **Ref:** Bob Meihls & Nathan Wenning
Employment: Retired

Glenn Jesse Gilliland ~ **Ref:** Tom Hendricks & Dave Freeman

Employment: Retired

VOTED ON BY TEXT 4/17/2024

Michael Thomas Horan ~

Ref: Nathan Wenning & Bob Meihls

Employment: Retired

NEW SPOUSAL APPLICATION:

Jackelyne Backs ~ Spouse: Joseph Backs

Employment: Cora Physical Therapy

Annette McClure made motion to accept new Members

Nathan Wenning seconded the motion

Motion passed

Scott McClure

We received a thank you from Linda Miller, for the tree in Milt's remembrance.

Ben Brown said the tree is in at Nature's Green if someone wants to pick it up.

Next Scott brought up the gift of Tom's dump truck. To insure it cost would be \$534.00 per year. Question was is insurance required – determined it is.

After discussion it was decided that club will return it to Tom.

Gun safe combinations was next topic of conversation.

Next Scott asked who has combinations of safe?

Aaron Bruns, Jason Ruble, Chris Weaver, Scott, and Dan Adams have it.

The concrete floor by office is bad - its a trip hazard. Scott stopped at St Henry tile to see what supplies would cost to fix it. It would be \$45.00 using an acrylic patch.

Scott was hoping the guy that did the kitchen floor would be here to give an idea on what it would cost to fix it. He was a no show.

Jason Ruble was asking if YouthFest could have their own page on our website. He said he would like to have it as part of the website page. It was agreed that would be acceptable.

Dan Adams is present tonight. He has volunteered to be club vice president at least until the annual meeting.

Bob Meihls made motion to accept Dan Adams as vice president until annual meeting

Annette seconded the motion

Motion passed

Matt Walker

Matt sent email about NRA Grants, Throwers, ammo, etc. See email attached

Bob Meihls

Bob said he is taking care of rentals now. He said they had 1 non-paying renter who didn't clean up. When contacted they came back and cleaned up.
He is requiring all renters to sign the rental agreement now.

Water softener didn't have salt in it. He and Bob Severt will take care of maintaining it.

The kitchen sink had very low water pressure. Plumber was called, the sink is back to normal

For the plaque for Milt's tree, he talked to Innovative Laser Works. They have plaques at Eastview park ball diamond. They charge \$130.00 for a thin marble or granite mounted on metal plaque including stake.

Bob Meihls made motion to purchase the plaque.
Ben Brown seconded the motion
Motion passed.

Mark Linn

The John Deere tractor has been repaired at cost of \$471 at Ace Radiator in Fort Wayne. They recorded it.

The CRP ground is mowed except for brush and trees the need to come down. Tom has somebody in mind for that.

Matt Gardner from Pheasants Forever will be here end of month to inspect CRP ground end of the month.

Tom and Mark meant with 4 guys willing to mow There is only one mower currently. There is another mower in high house. Nathan said the deck is back in the corner. Would need remounted and need adjusted.
Tom said they would call Frank Goeffney for an estimate on getting it to work.

Tom and Mike are trying to get a list together of people who have keys to shed / clubhouse.

Mike Lehman

Mike has been here on Wednesday nights.
Throwers are working ok now.
People are wondering when we can start trap shooting.

Tom Cole

Tom said he called Kyle about the traps with no response. He will make a trip to go see him.
Where the dirt has been skimmed off we hope to till the ground, level and plant grass.

On the 25 yd range where dirt was pushed up but not pushed forward we don't have the height we want.
We were talking about getting someone in to push the dirt up. Need to get that done first. Around 100 yard range and west end grass could be planted.
Scott asked the best avenue to proceed. We should get something done before it all goes bad. Grass seed last year was 100lb bag for \$100.

Jason asked if anyone does blow seeding like the state does so the seed would stick to slope. Tom said he thought Braun Construction does that, or maybe Shelly company. Scott said he would contact them.

Aaron Bruns

Aaron said he had 1 person sign up for gun cleaning class, but he was a no-show. If membership thinks there is still a need, he is willing to try again. Suggested we wait awhile until we try again, maybe when the weather gets bad.

He proposed a new match for rifle range.
Something like small bore rifle silhouette. You shoot at small metal outlines of animal and have to knock them off a stand. This would be rimfire rifle.

His reasoning was that everyone likes reactive targets, it would be relatively inexpensive because its just 22, and everyone has a gun for it. A good way to get people here to use the facility. Charge a little bit to shoot. Targets cost about \$80 -\$100 per set of 20. you shoot at 20 targets 2 times

He hasn't checked into whether or not someone local would be willing to laser cut targets or water jet them.

He would be wiling to run it, possibly 4th Saturday of month
It would cost \$120-\$150 per ;line of targets set up. He still needs to get information and ideas on how to set targets up. Some places put metal plates behind targets as backstops to stop ammo and aim it into the ground.

Ben Brown asked about ricochet concerns – Aaron said he would follow NRA rules. Minimum distance to targets is 40 yrds.

We would be looking at around \$500.00 to get started.
Competition is not NRA sanctioned, but he would follow the NRA rulebook.

Consensus was that it would be a good idea,
Aaron said he is ok with getting a decision next month. He will look into seeing if he can get it cheaper.

Ben Brown

First Rimfire Bench Rest Federation shoot was in Delphos. Had a good turn out.
There was a request to get handicap port-a-john updated. It belongs to port-a-john company. We will give them a call. We own the other port-a-john , but it is in bad shape also.

Ben asked what the range safety rules say about going down range with guns on bench, chambers empty, magazine out?
Bob said he talks about chamber flags during cease fire process. Only safe way is gun on bench, chamber empty, magazine removed, action opened or chamber flag in it. Muzzle should be down range.

Ben was questioning how much to push safety with the new league. He would like to take a stronger stand.
Bob said at the very least, put chamber flag in and step away from gun.

Other Business

Officer Buening

Youth turkey shooting was this past weekend. 7 turkeys were killed.

Eric Showalter

Scott said he is certified NRA range officer, pistol, rifle and shotgun instructor.

Dan Adams

Talked about swipe cards for the gate.

Hold card up to box on gate. Lets you in.

We spend \$350.00 yearly sending out new cards.

Benefits include

If we use swipe cards, we don't need to keep sending out membership cards every year.

We can see who is swiping in and what time they swiped in on line.

We will be able to see if range safety class has been taken,

You need to have your card to get through the gate.

If anyone can't get out of the gate trustees can open gate from phone.

Cards can be activated, deactivated by phone.

Gate has been tested and it works very well.

If approved tonight, it can be up and running by May 11.

Dan will donate card reader.

Our cost will be around \$600.00 for cards and labels. Replacement cards are 100 for \$60.00

They cost about 45 cents to make. If someone loses a card we can charge to replace the card.

Dan demonstrated the gate card scanner.

Nation Wenning made motion to purchase the card reader system.

Aaron Bruns seconded the motion

Motion passed.

Michele Weber.

Money from Kremer was about \$10,000.00 do we want to do something with the money.- the bank we currently use is offering CD rate of 5 month CD with 5% APY for \$5,000.

Ben Brown said Kremer gave us the money to benefit the kids. We should do something for the kids with it.

Jason is looking into aeration system for pond. He is working on getting a complete quote for a system.

Jason also suggested getting automatic feeder for fish, and putting in a dock to fish off of. Question was are there any liability issues.

Discussion followed on putting \$5,000.00 in CD and \$5,000.00 into a new savings account .

We also got about \$3500 from Milts memorial. She will put this money into new savings account also.

Steve Ewry

Steve asked Ben if anyone was providing lunch for Rimfire Shoots this year. Ben said he thought the boy scouts are. Steve said it would be nice to spread some gravel around the shelterhouse.

Tom Cole

Tom asked about getting a new building. Ben said he is looking into getting prices to bring to next months meeting.

Tom asked about building our own. Ben said he could price it that way, we just need to have the help to build it.

Annette McClure

Annette asked about planting the tree for Milt. If we get the tree, who is going to plant it? It was decided to use some of the donation money from Milt to have Nature's Green plant it. If they plant it there is a one year warranty. We will mark where we want the tree planted.

Tom Cole

Tom made a vase he donated to the club in honor of Milt.

There was no other business, meeting was adjourned

Ben Brown made motion to adjourn

Nathan Wenning seconded the motion.

Meeting was adjourned

Next regular meeting to be held on Monday, May 20, 2024.

7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

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