# **Rio Vaqueros Meeting Minutes**

#### Call to Order

President Carl McCleskey called the meeting to order at 17:33.

Members present were: Carl McCleskey, Gary Allen, Jim Paxon, Rodney Kuenzer,
 Carol Whitney, Dick Stockmar, Roger Champagne, Roger Tremblay, Bob Berard, Glen
 Porter, Woody Simpson, Hope Smith, Mel Cherry.

#### **Previous Minutes**

Carol Whitney read the minutes from the December 19, 2019 meeting. Dick Stockmar made a motion to accept minutes as read. Seconded by Mel Cherry. Motion carried.

## Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Gary Allen gave the treasurer's report.

#### January 30, 2020

Checking Balance: \$2048.41

Income: \$650

Fun Shoot: \$50

Long Range Shoot: \$65

Bowling Pin Match: \$80

• 19 Membership Renewals: \$380

3 Web Page Sponsors: \$75

• Expenses: \$48.83

Bowling Pin Trophy: \$48.83

• Savings Balance: \$916.90

• TOTAL: \$2965.31

Mel Cherry made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as read. Seconded by Roger Champgane. Motion carried.

#### **Old Business**

#### Railroad Iron Target Stands Installed at Rifle Range

- Target frame stands have been installed on the 100, 200, and 300 yard berms at the rifle range. They consist of lengths of railroad rail with square tabs welded to accept the 1"x2" legs of the common target frames most of us use.
- Thank you to Jack Kimball for donating materials and spearheading this project and Rodney Keunzer for doing the welding. Thanks to everyone who helped with the install as well. The only remaining task is to sink rebar anchors at the ends of the rails to hopefully deter theft and prevent people from moving them.

#### **Chain Link Enclosure For Target Storage**

- Carl stated that a number of lengths of oilfield well tubing pipe are available locally for aprox \$1/foot. We will need roughly 120 feet of pipe to build the chainlink enclosure next to the storage container at the pistol pits.
- Gary Allen is still looking into the cost of gate hardware.
- There was some discussion regarding sourcing an auger to drill the holes and concrete to fill them. Carl McCleskey and Jim Paxon will approach a few people and see if we can get equipment and material donations or discounts. Thank you Carl. Lynn from Lynn's Landscaping has a bunch of 7' #9 chain link that he salvaged from one of his jobs and has donated it to the club.
- A work party will need to be formed to install the fencing once the logistics of materials and equipment are resolved.
- It was noted that the large plate rack is in need of a new coupler.
- It was also noted that while we have an auger on site, it would be a good idea to also drill the holes needed to install the two new concrete benches at the rifle range.

#### **Bowling Pin Match Trophy**

- Carl has indeed procured the Bowling Pin Match trophy and brought it to the meeting. See website under Fun Shoot for picture. Thank you Carl for having this made.
- The trophy will "travel" and remain in possession of the current bowling pin match champ until such time as he or she losses it or wins the right to keep it at the next

match. There was some discussion around an individual small trophy or token that would remain with each winner. See New Business section.

• The next bowling pin match will be in March but no date has been set as yet.

#### **Web Site Sponsorship**

- Currently we have 3 people paid and 2 who have indicated their interest in a website sponsorship slot.
- The sponsor section has been added to the website home page. The slots will be
  rotated occasionally so that each sponsor gets shown as the top card when viewing
  the page on a phone or tablet.
- The \$70 per year email charge has been cancelled as per last month's discussion.
   The website is due to renew in February. Carol will coordinate with treasurer Gary Allen to get it paid.
- We could use just a few more sponsors. The goal is to have the website be self supporting.

#### **New Business**

### **Trophies For Matches - Annual Combined Match**

- There was some discussion around trophies for matches including the fun shoots, long range rifle shoots, and bowling pin matches. Some of the options discussed included plasma cut trophies like the bowling pin trophy, plaques and challenge coins. Options for sourcing locally were also mentioned. No course of action was decided as yet.
- Jim Paxon suggested that we have a sort of year end match except do it in March while our winter shooters are still here. The match would be a combined pistol and rifle match and take place at the Adobe Hills shooting range during the March fun shoot date. Some lively discussion ensued and there was general support for the idea.
- Carl called for volunteers to form a committee to work out the details. It was decided
  to keep the committee at three members. Carl McCleskey, Carol Whitney, and Jim
  Paxon are tasked with the planning. A meeting will be scheduled within the next few
  days. Details will be posted on the website as they are hashed out.

#### **State High School Trap Shooting Championship**

- The state high school trap shooting championship is to be held at the trap range out by the TorC airport on February 1st and 2nd.
- It was noted that the local high school did not have any students participating in the
  match partly due to a lack of sponsorship. There was some discussion with regard to
  what was involved in sponsoring a student. As nobody knew the requirements or
  details, Roger Champagne agreed to look into it and report back. Thank you Roger.

#### Paint Allowance For Rifle Shoots

- There was some discussion with regard to reimbursing target spray paint expenses for rifle matches. Gary stated that the problem was that there is no central storage place to keep the paint and it was difficult to track use between club sponsored matches (reimbursable) and non-club sponsored practice shoots (non-reimbursable).
- He suggested that the easiest thing would be to allot one case (12 cans) annually to
  the rifle shoots. That way it is a fixed expense and the rifle shooters can manage it as
  they deem appropriate. Carol Whitney will coordinate with the folks in charge of the
  long range matches to determine what quantity of which colors would be required
  and the club will purchase the paint.

# Meeting Adjourned

Carl called for the meeting to be adjourned at 18:27. Mel Cherry made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Jim Paxon. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Carol Whitney.