

Minutes – Officers & Trustee MCSA Meeting 06/17/24

PRESENT

Officers

Scott McClure, President
~~Vice President Dan Adams~~
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, Randy Davidson, Joe Backs,

President Scott McClure called the meeting to order.

Minutes from the May 20,2024 meeting were reviewed.

Approved by acclimation.

Financial Report

Report on financials were sent to trustees earlier via email.

May income was	\$ 7,449.65
May expenses were	\$ 15,137.26
May net income was	- \$ 7,687.61
Balance in checkbook is	\$ 19,773.95 as of June 17, 2024

Michelle said there are a couple things coming out of checking - prizes for the raffle - \$17,500.00 and the bank is still working on getting her access to the memorial fund and CDs, which will be transferred to the memorial fund which is \$3,600.00 out of checking and half year property taxes which are about \$3,600.00. Even though our current checkbook total looks good, it isn't as good as it looks.

Nathan Wenning made motion to accept financials
Matt seconded the motion.
Meeting was adjourned

Financials were accepted by acclimation.

Membership Report

Annette McClure reported that we have 466 active paid members, 20 Life memberships, 31 worker memberships, and 10 Honorary memberships, which totals 527 members actively supporting our club. Included in active paid membership are 24 Spousal memberships.

NEW APPLICATIONS:

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Charles Anthony May ~ Ref: Charles Zehringer & Ron Rutschilling
Employment: Retired

Kyle Charles May ~ Ref: Charles Zehringer & Ron Rutschilling
Employment: Lincoln Electric

NEW SPOUSAL APPLICATION:

None

Annette McClure made motion to accept new Members
Bob Meihls seconded the motion
Motion passed

Presidents Report

Scott started by saying there is no Governor's deed to our property. He passed out the information he found while investigating this issue. (see attached) He gave history of ownership of our property. The state says they own 7 acres of what we think we own. Plus 1 acre we don't really own. We have been paying property tax on 8 acres we don't really own for 67 years.

Most likely solution is to get any and all elected officials to talk to ODNR on our behalf to make it right. Whatever the ODNR says, the governor will agree to.

Then Scott addressed being a non-profit. This was addressed in 1957 & 1990,s. We are non profit with state but not with IRS. There is little advantage to us being a non- profit. We do not intend to pursue this any further.

Scott then addressed the issue of driving golf carts on property. The last time this was addressed was April of 2023. After discussion it was determined to create a rule addressing this. The rule will be

Scott said we still have the rifle we received from the Friends of the NRA. He questioned what we want to do with it – should we raffle it now or wait? Right now it is in Todd Homan's safe. Determined Scott would talk to Todd to see what he suggests.

Bob Meihls asked about the 22 rifle that we received from Bill Montgomery. It is still in safe.

Scott said Dan is ready go all digital with the newsletter. The question was how to handle the raffles. Should we just do 1 raffle a year in a mailed newsletter, digital the rest of the year. Jason asked how much do we make on quarterly raffle – do we break even? The thought was we break even or a little better. Another consideration was if all members have email addresses.

After discussion it was decided to try digital in June, we will include a notification with annual dues letter asking members if they want digital (provide an email address) or paper copy or no newsletter.

Scott then said that at YouthFest meeting Shelly brought up that it would be really great if we could get the shelterhouse pressured washed and stain shelter-houses 1 & 2.

Bob Meihls said that Bob Severt has been cleaning what he could. He said Bob Severt volunteered to stain the shelter-houses if they got cleaned up.

Another thing from YouthFest meeting – Will Welling said Friends of NRA would probably give us a grant to put ne baffles and raising dirt to improve ranges, as long as Matt wrote it up correctly.

Matt said it would fall under same grant as we got the trap throwers with. It would be part of Physical Improvements to property. We would need a whole list of what we want to do, including quotes. The grant request is due beginning of November.

Scott suggested getting a committee of guys who use the ranges alot together to start the planning process Bob Meihls suggested including Nathan Wenning, since he was part of original range planning.

Scott finished with saying Dan Adams asked if his final draft of Life memberships is approved.

Scott had contacted Dan that the gate is stuck open. Dan said it needs a new keypad. The keypad will be in this weekend.

Nathan Wenning

He said that his brother Adrian, Charlie Goettemoller and he have been collecting brass for the last couple of years. They had 343 lbs which they took to Ohio Recycling. At \$1.95 a lb they got \$668.85.

There is a large maple tree between ranges 2 and 3 dying. He suggested contracting to have someone take it down.

Ben Brown made motion to cut down the tree
Nathan Wenning seconded the motion
Motion passed

Nathan said pop machine is not working, but is still running. He said we should get the pop out and turn off machine.

Scott mentioned that at Youthfest meeting Will Welling said he will ask his friend to look at it.

Bob Meihls

Bob said he still has raffle tickets available.

Ben Brown

Ben said he got quote from KLS to put in a 16' X 28' pad for a shed at \$4,700.00. A shed would cost between \$7,000.00 - \$12,000.00.

Ben is continuing to work on adding lanes for shooting league at range.

Mike Lehman

Mike said attendance for Trap and Skeet has really fallen off. Wednesday night used to be big crowds, now we only get 8 to 10 shooters.

Tom and Mike have been in contact with the guy that is supposed to be getting the traps going. Scott, the guy in charge, has been sick.

Annette McClure

Annette asked for clarification on sending out newsletter. Scott said since we just did a mailing do digital for this month, then the newsletter in August for annual meeting do paper.

Tom Cole

Tom said for people asking when they are going to finish the dirt , they can't finish it until they get electric to the trap house.

Fred came out with his machine and took out everything we didn't want. Fred has a 4 wheeler with sprayer unit. They sprayed all the poison hemlock. Tom went to county extension agent who told him the poison part is the root and the seed. Best time to spray and kill the hemlock is in spring. We sprayed now because he said if you can kill it before it goes to seed that is a good thing to. The berms on all the ranges have been pretty well soaked. Fred use crossbones to kill the vegetation. Hemlock is becoming very widespread in Ohio.

Mark and Tom sprayed around every tree and pole.

Tom said he ordered fuel since it was getting pretty low.

Tom said he found a place to purchase an I beam to put into the barn to lift equipment. They sell them for \$16.00 a foot, and we need 30 feet. Ben said he may be able to order one from work at cost.

Tom then said Fred was here for 4hrs running constantly. It was decided to pay him \$200,00 plus reimbursement for the cost of the spray.

Matt Walker

We have been conditionally approved to receive money from the Conservation Club Grant \$4,125.00 – \$1,350.00 for YouthFest \$2,350.00 for Jr Rifle Club \$625.00 Womens Campout.

Almost all NRA items have been received. They sent 20ga ammo instead the requested 28 ga. He is trying to get that corrected.

Matt then asked if we could get a lock box for the key card and put it into hidden location for their use. It was agreed that they are able to do that.

Aaron Bruns

Aaron said he talked to Will Welling to see if NRA has any sort of recommendation to make sure ricochet is safe.

He then suggested that to try to encourage more attendance for shooting events that we create a calendar to list events, and then go to other area clubs and see if they would put their events on it. Then they would display the calendars at their site and we would display them here. He said it would just be a way to get the word out as to what is available locally. He was encouraged to go ahead with it.

Aaron then said he was looking at starting a pistol bullseye league for 6 to 8 weeks. We wouldn't need anything to start it other than targets. He said he would be willing to do that. There would be a small charge to shooters.

Scott said Wapokeneta High School is starting a trap league. He didn't know if they travel.

Jason Ruble

Jason said Will Welling would like to try to start local high school shooting league

Jason said we are doing well getting YouthFest donations in.

There was no other business, meeting was adjourned

Nathan Wenning made motion to adjourn

Aaron Bruns seconded the motion.

Meeting was adjourned

Next regular meeting to be held on Monday, July 15, 2024.

7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

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