

June 2008 Renton Fish & Game Board Minutes



The meeting was called to order by Robb Wolfe at 7:00 PM on June 5th, 2008.

Board Members in attendance:

Brian Howard
Georgia Coulter
Ken Williams
Scott Johnson
Ted Pitt
Robb Wolfe
Karen Jennings

Not in attendance:

Bob Hull (excused)
Dave Reed (excused)

Minutes:

The May Board Minutes were approved as submitted.

Treasurer's report Georgia Coulter:

Checking: \$ 18,905.53

Savings: \$ 58,787.67

Income: \$ 24,461.85

Expenses: \$ 22,757.23

Major Expenditures: shotgun and pistol ammunition and West match awards

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Bills submitted:

Phil Fortunato submitted a bill for the Women on Target events that he put on at the club, but the Board had not approved any expenditures.

Committee Reports:

Archery: Ted Pitt

- Have not purchased the new bags yet, but the range is looking good.

Trap / Bunker / Skeet: (Bob Bracco)

- There will be Bunker shoot on June 15th

C.M.P: Bob Hull (absent)

- Glenn reported that the April match had 4 shooters and \$ 21.00 was turned into the club.

Conservation: Gary Emerson (absent)

- No report.

Cowboy: Brian Howard

- At the May match they had 78 shooters attend and turned in \$780 to the club.

Firearms Safety: Casey Clevenger / Bob Emerson (absent)

- No report

Grounds: LaMarr Hood Emerson (absent)

- No report

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IDPA: Robb Wolfe

- Reported that said they had 70 shooters at the May Match. After expenses (shovel, pick, rake & hammers) \$561 was turned into the club.

Rifle & Pistol: Dave Reed (absent)

- Georgia reported that said they had 282 adult and 17 junior shooters. Total turned into the club was \$ 2905

Safety:

- There was discussion regarding the telephone poles that were placed behind the 100 yard rifle range targets. A decision was made to remove them.

Membership: Jay Burleson (absent)

- No report

USPSA: Matt Kundrat (absent)

- The most recent monthly USPSA match was held on May 25th. There were a total of 71 shooters and we turned \$593 into the club afterwards. Setup and takedown went smoothly, the match was well received and the weather was nearly perfect.
- Our next match is scheduled for Sunday June 22nd. Setup for the match will take place on the preceding Saturday, June 21st after the IDPA match concludes.

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Old Business:

- Tom Chandler is looking into grants for the proposed baffle system and has been continuing his research. He has made contact with a range expert and a special meeting will be scheduled for the board to meet with the expert.
- Ben Kawaka showed the flyer that he has placed with the local gun stores to advertise the range. The Board thanked him and agreed to allow the employees of the shops no-charge access to our range. Some type of membership card will have to be created so we know who the employees are when they come.

New Business:

- Bob Bracco requested the use of three shotgun fields on July 24th for a corporate shoot. The request was granted and the club will be paid \$100 PER FIELD plus rounds. It should bring the club approx \$900 for the afternoon.
- **A motion was made by Georgia to move the July meeting to July 10th. The Board approved the motion.**
- Tony Kubeja approached the board about conducting his Eagle Scout project at the range. After discussion regarding the different projects that could be done, it was decided that painting the buildings would be a good one. Robb will connect Tony with LaMarr Hood and have them work out the details. If the painting does not work out, LaMarr will help Tony select another project.
- Jay (at Robb's request) had gotten two bids for paving the parking lot near the shotgun range and the road to the rifle range. The Board made the decision to not pave the parking lots, but have them graded and treated for dust. Paving would be from the edge of the pistol range parking lot to the actions bays (up to 5000 square feet). New estimates will have to be requested
- Phil Fortunato submitted a report from the Women on Target events:

We had a very good event with Shirley Rheault coming up to do the class from Olympia. Shirley and her husband Jerry did a great job as they did last time but informed me that this would be their last class for us. Shirley did a great job of not only teaching safety but dispelling gun myths.

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We had 20 people sign up & 17 showed up each paying \$10 (\$170) The last class in Nov 07 we also had 17 at \$5 ea (\$85) for a total of \$255. I overspent for refreshments in Nov 07 and spent about \$75 with the club getting the overage of food & beverages. My expenses totaled an additional \$35 plus I gave Shirley \$50 (she did not ask for anything). April 08 I spent \$50 on refreshments and \$35 on stuff and again gave Shirley \$50. I have receipts someplace for the refreshments; the overage went to the club again, water, soda, juice. Total out of pocket \$245 which I would like to be reimbursed for in cold hard cash (or check) minus this year's dues (can I get the volunteer discount?). Special thanks to Sportsman's Warehouse in Federal Way for supplying the targets and ammo.

At the last minute I lost 3 volunteers but Glen at the Rifle Range pulled through & we had enough people to cover 4 stations, two rifles & two pistol. The feedback was great from the class, but the wait at the range was about 1 1/2 hours to complete everyone. If we do this again I need at least 8 stations. There seemed to be enough stations available and the total time would be reduced to about 45 min.

- *Phil Fortunato asked for the Board's permission to apply for a grant to purchase 22 caliber rifles and pistols to use during classes. The Board asked him to gather more information and bring it back to the Board before any applications are submitted.*
- *Michael Thyng submitted the following letter:
The East King County Friends of NRA and selling 200 raffle tickets on a Kimber 5" .45 ACP handgun. \$20 per ticket, drawing September 13th, 2008 at the Monroe gun show. I have tickets. We can make arrangements for me to get one (some?) to you. I suspect the tickets will be gone in late July.
The money goes to the NRA Foundation; most of you know the good things they do for the gun community with education, safety and range improvements.
The Board approved the sale of the tickets at the rifle range.*

Items to follow up on at a future meeting:

- **Membership - Georgia suggested that we contact inactive members and see why they are not renewing. She will look into what it would take to contact them later. Karen would be willing to do the mailings if and when labels are produced.**

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- The permit for the storage shed is waiting for the final signatures from the County. **Nothing from Andy at this time.**
- Tom Chandler brought a couple of new rounds to the Board to determine if they should be shot on our range. They are very high power rounds, and concern was raised about their usage. We will look at these and others at a future Board meeting.
- Ben Kawaka has a Master Gardener that would be willing to visit the range and help determine what we could plant to help with sound, and better coverage.
- At a previous meeting Robb Wolfe asked if the Board had considered increasing the daily range rate for non-members (currently \$10). Glenn provided the data he gathered regarding what other local ranges are charging. There was a concern that we need to keep the correct balance between members and non-member income to maintain our non-profit status. Karen suggested that an audit committee be formed to review what we charge for all services (range use, ammunition, targets, etc). The board approved Karen's suggestion and the following people volunteered to be on the committee:
Ben Kapwlka
Karen Jennings
Ted Pitt
Georgia Coulter
Ken Williams

Karen and members of the committee have been extremely busy so they have been unable to meet at this time. It was determined that the committee should start meeting after the busy summer months, starting in September. All members agreed. In the meantime Karen will look at our current set up to have a better understanding of how it's currently being done.

Good of the Order:

- Karen will send a card and gift to Dave Reed who is in the hospital.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:11 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Robb Wolfe

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