

Northern Colorado Rod & Gun Club
Board of Director's Meeting
December 20, 2018
Minutes

1. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order on a *motion by Russ Hickman at 6:00PM, seconded by Tom Petaja and passed unanimously.*

Board Members Present:

President Brian Holder

Vice-President Tom Petaja

Secretary Bo Marzolf

Treasurer Bryon Fessler

Range Master Russ Hickman

At-Large Ben Price

At-Large Gary Caldwell

Skeet/Trap Chair Jason Elliott

Defensive Pistol Chair David Ward

Steel Challenge Chair Steve Jessup

KYL Chari Loren Gitchel

Board Members Not Present:

At-Large Matt Niehaus

Others In Attendance:

Assistant Range Master Dean Salier

Member Charles Bentz

Member Kurt Barth

Member Cam Rogers

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion was made to accept the minutes as proposed by Russ Hickman, Seconded by Loren Gitchel, and the motion passed unanimously.

3. Member Forum

Nothing.

4. Officer Reports

a. President. None



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b. Secretary. *A motion to accept amended minutes as proposed dated November 15, 2018 was made by Bo Marzolf, Seconded by Gary Caldwell, and the motion passed unanimously.*

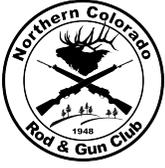
c. Treasurer.

A Balance Sheet and Income Statement were provided to all Board members with figures as of November 30, 2018. Total cash on hand in the six accounts is \$214,323.55 with \$148,723.53 of that set aside in Reserves for the Rifle Range safety improvements. Income totaled \$4.16 and expenses totaled \$2,541.71. We do not have any paid Instructors for the current year. We are working off a credit for the electronic waivers. Once again, Trash did not appear on the financials, so we will receive two charges next month. Once the hours are submitted for December, the accountant will issue Form 1099 Misc to our three contractors (ARM, MSC and Website). The IRS standard mileage rate for 2019 is \$0.58 per mile (up from \$0.545 in 2018 and \$0.535 in 2017). Board members were presented with updated mileage reimbursement forms for 2019. The MSC asked for a comparison of hours for 2017 and 2018 and that information was provided to the Secretary to pass on. Finally, we created a Construction In Progress (CIP) account for the Rifle Range so that we can begin charging expenses to this line item. We will initially pay for the expenses out of Operating (checking) and transfer money from Reserves (savings) as needed to cover the costs.

A motion to accept the financials ending November 30, 2018 and place them on file for the auditor was made by Bryon Fessler, seconded by Loren Gitchel and passed unanimously.

d. Range Master. Deferred to Dean Sailer as he led the clean up for December. 27 members showed on that cold and windy day. Basic maintenance completed. Trailers removed at no expense to the club. Floor of shotgun high house was replaced/secured.

The battery for the tractor is in the maintenance shed – trickle charged. If used, please be sure to charge it for the next person. Also keep the block heater plugged in for the tractor.



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5. Other Reports

- a. Defensive Pistol – first match went well.
- b. Consideration was given to conducting another RSO certification class. Board thought it was a good idea.

6. Unfinished Business

- a. Rifle Range Safety Improvements Update. The Weaver's approved our plan. Bryon Fessler discussed some of the details of the plan. The new shooting benches will be concrete, 3" thick", and very heavy (about 450 pounds) supported on 3 steel cylinder legs. Each bench and pedestal combination is about \$700 each. It will take about a month to get 20 of them built.

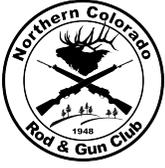
The board then discussed some issues with how to best handle water drainage on the rifle range in light of the changes that will be made in the future.

The plan is to start the improvements in May/June of 2019 – and thus the rifle range will likely be closed for periods of time during these months.

- b. 5-year Weaver lease update. Bryon Fessler and Russ Hickman met with the Weaver's about a week ago. The meeting went very well. A few paragraphs were changed to bring consensus to the new 5-year lease. Focus was on length and cost/payments of the new agreement to put it into effect.

A motion was made by Russ Hickman, seconded by Dave Ward to accept the 5-year lease agreement as written with the costs/payments as authored, \$20,000 a year with an auto increase of \$200/year – starting Jan 1, 2019 and ending Dec 31, 2023. The motion passed unanimously.

- c. Update on range grants. Bryon Fessler has been working with Jim Guthrie on securing range grants for our club. Big factor in getting the grant is how much NCRGC is willing to open up for public use. To submit, we need the new 5-year lease signed by the Weavers. After that, we need to review and approve our environmental steward plan (from 2013) for 2019. We will review this as a board, make changes, and approve during our January 2019 board meeting.



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A motion was made by Gary Caldwell to approve submitting our grant request to Colorado Parks and Wildlife for our club via the Shooting Range Development Grants Program in the amount of \$260,000 (total), of which is composed of \$85,000 for SRDG funding and \$175,000 in matching funds, seconded by Steve Jessup seconded, and approved unanimously

The club received \$2,500 from National First Shots Association. As the discipline chair, Bryon Fessler will advertise the events to let folks know when the events will be held.

d. Thrower repair update. The board discussed this issue again from the last board meeting. Brian Holder made the suggestion that we hold off on this expense until after next year's membership renewal based on limited fund availability. He suggested that because we will need to spend about \$7,000 to extend our lease to December next year, that was somewhat not expected, and because the thrower is currently working, it would be best to hold off. Two new throwers would cost \$9-10,000. If one of the throwers does stop working, a replacement would cost roughly \$5,000. If that were to happen, we will approve funds at that time.

New Business

a. Violations. Two members were here to discuss violations – Brian Holder passed charge of the meeting to Tom Petaja, head of the disciplinary committee.

Member A (mbr #8236)– was given time to address the board. The discussion focused on safe handling / range rules regarding transport of guns when the range is cold and hot.

Member B (mbr #8097) – was given time to address the board. He read his prepared letter to us – stating disagreement with his challenger Mr. Russ Hickman. The main point revolved around raising the range flag when it is in use, and the lack of a displayed badge while on the range.

b. “Try it out” Range Day Proposal. Timeframe would likely be in the springtime. It would include getting some vendors so folks could try new equipment – and would also include a host of events so folks could try the different disciplines.



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Brian Holder made the comment that it is a good idea, but more work needs to get done before we make a decision. The board agreed that we should work to get it done. At-Large Board Members (present) agree to help.

- c. "Ring in the New Year" event update. Open to the public on January 1, 2019 from 1 to 3 PM – and is being advertised in multiple venues to include social media. The event will include Steel Challenge and Defensive Pistol events. The event will use Tac Bays 1-2 and 5-6. Orientation to get the venues setup will start on/about 9 AM.
- d. David Ward proposal to buy 4 aluminum stands from the club. The stands have not been used before – and would like use them for his events. *A motion was made by Bryon Fessler to sell David Ward the aluminum stands for \$20, seconded by Jason Elliott, and passed unanimously.*

Executive Session

A motion was made to go into executive session by Russ Hickman, seconded by Tom Petaja, and unanimously passed by the board at 7:52PM.

A motion was made to come out of executive session by Tom Petaja, seconded by Steve Jessup, and unanimously passed by the board at 8:44PM.

It was decided by the board that member A was at fault for violating two range safety rules. The member is required to demonstrate safe firearms handling, clearing, and knowledge of range rules before using the range again.

It was decided by the board that member B was at fault for violating range administration rules. The member is required to write three articles for the club's newsletter regarding reason behind and advocating for wearing your membership badge, raising the range flag during use, and having and displaying a proper mindset while at the range.

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting was made by Loren Gitchel, seconded by Jason Elliott and unanimously passed by the board at 8:52PM.