



Northern Colorado Rod & Gun Club
Board of Director's Meeting
September 19, 2019
Minutes

1. Call to Order

A motion to open the meeting was made by Gary Caldwell, seconded by Cam Rogers, and passed unanimously. Meeting started at: 6:01pm.

Board Members present:

Vice President: Tom Petaja

Secretary: Gary Caldwell

Treasurer: Bryon Fessler

Range Master: Russ Hickman

At Large: Ben Price

At Large: Cam Rogers

Rimfire Challenge: Chance Snider

Know Your Limits: Loren Gitchel

Skeet and Trap: Jason Elliott

Steel Challenge: Steve Jessup

Board Members not present were:

President: Brian Holder

Others in attendance were:

Assistant Range Master: Dean Sailer

Member Services Coordinator: Marie Maderal

Regular Member: Matt Niehaus

Regular Member: James Perry

Regular Member: John Pashain

Regular Member: Mark Lombardi

2. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made to accept the Agenda after moving item 7 b to Executive Session was made by Steve Jessup, seconded by Loren Gitchel and passed unanimously.

3. Member Forum

James Perry addressed the Board concerning the incident that took place on August 10th. He explained that the discipline process was changed, and he did not have a hearing. He asked the Board to reconsider their decision. He explained what Brian Holder had suggested concerning taking the Range Safety Officer Training and expressed his discomfort in speaking in front of people. James proceeded to apologize for his actions and agreed that anger and guns do not mix. He thought that some of the situation could have been mitigated with more and or different communication. James now understands that the club's calendar will contain the information about range closures before and after events and apologized again for his actions.



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Mark Lombardi and John Pashain both expressed an interest in reactivating the Defensive Pistol (NOCO TAC) Discipline.
Member Forum was closed.

4. Officer Reports

- a. President. No report given.
- b. Secretary. Gary Caldwell reported: There were 93 of the 142 new members that attended the first safety orientation. There were also 18 new spouses that attended the first safety orientation. There are 49 new members that still need to attend one of the remaining two safety orientations. Those two safety orientations will take place on September 22nd and October 5th, both at 1:00 p.m. Those meetings are going to be revised to place an emphasis on safety and a short review of the renewal process. The other information covered in the first safety orientation will be distributed in the form of handouts. There were 143 returning member spouse/associate badges mailed out on September 6th. There have been a few additional returning spouse/associate member waiver applications submitted and badges sent out since, along with the 18 new spouse/associate members. We are going to continue accepting old spouse/associate member badge renewals up through October 12th. That will also be the deadline for new spouse/associate member waiver applications. Update on badge printing/ mailing – all returning members should have badges.

A motion to accept the minutes from last month's meeting -- dated August 15, 2019 and place them on file was made by Gary Caldwell, seconded by Bryon Fessler and passed unanimously.

- c. Treasurer. Bryon Fessler presented a Balance Sheet and Income Statement were provided to all Board members with figures as of August 31, 2019. Total cash on hand in the six accounts is \$132,688.84 with \$24,584.24 of that set aside in Reserves for future repairs or replacement. Income for the month totaled \$34,638.26 and expenses totaled \$23,202.60.

A motion to accept the financials ending August 31, 2019 and place them on file for the auditor was made by Bryon Fessler, seconded by Russ Hickman and passed unanimously.

A motion to transfer \$16,873.36 from Capital to Reserves was made by Bryon Fessler and seconded by Gary Caldwell.

- d. Range Master. Russ Hickman reported on the first official Range Clean of the year on September 7th. We still need to finish the improvements and I am writing a grant to help with the costs. I have received many complaints about how we deal with Range Rule compliance – please watch your attitude and use these as learning opportunities. We have a Board member who may be a little overzealous in the enforcement of our rules.



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5. Other Reports

- a. Disciplines – Jason Elliott announced that the Shotgun Fields will be upgraded (to 1970's technology) by going wireless!
Bryon Fessler has locked up his supplies for First Shots due to the continuing problem of missing items needed to conduct the class (targets, etc.) – Russ Hickman informed the Board that the new locks are ordered and should take care of this problem.
Chance Snider asked for volunteers to help with the October Rimfire Challenge in case he's not trained as an RSO by then. Loren Gitchel volunteered; a Board email will be sent in case others are needed. A discussion was had concerning creating a database of current RSOs and when their certification expires.
- b. Chief Range Safety Officer – No report was given.

6. Unfinished Business

- a. Rifle Range Update – Russ Hickman addressed the cattle issue and explained that they may actually be helping with the fencing issue. He reiterated that all fencing falls outside of our lease; however, he has been meeting with the landlords concerning adding a fence from the shed on the East side of lane 1 up to the lease line. He thanked Bryon and his team for the forethought of planning and executing the dedication rock and plaque for Doc Weaver. A discussion of the existing ranch fence was had and the fact that anyone going beyond the fence is considered trespassing. Cam mentioned that the fence line is taller than the calves and was told by an eyewitness that someone was seen shooting at 9:00 p.m. on the range – the board agreed that they will take care of this.
- b. ADA compliance can be met with the addition of the Horse mats that were discussed at the last meeting. The grant will include money for these upgrades.
- c. Ben Price has updated the promissory note that was presented last month and explained the changes. Bryon Fessler thanked him for his work on this and explained the changes.

A motion to accept the new Promissory Note was made by Steve Jessup, seconded by Gary Caldwell and passed unanimously.

- d. The drawings for the new RSO hats have been submitted and the proofs should be ready soon. These will replace the NRA hats that we currently use for our RSOs.

7. New Business

- a. Signage about Lock/Velocity Limits on Rifle Range – Chance Snider would like the Board to explain the Lock system at the front gate by placing a sign there. After a discussion of part of the history, and pointing out that our lock is RED, the Board feels confident that we can implement a one lock system (possibly two if Maxine is unwilling to use the other gate). To address the velocity limits on the Rifle Range, we



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- will investigate adding decals to the existing signs and/or post laminated signs on the posts of the Range.
- b. Item moved to Executive Session.
 - c. First Shots Shotgun Seminars – Bryon Fessler would like to add a shotgun component to the First Shots program and will work on the curriculum with Jason Elliott. These classes will take place after the curriculum is completed

Business on Hold/Waiting on Bids:

- Long Range Gongs are just waiting on completion of the target stands.
- AED purchase remains on hold
- Weather Station remains on hold.
- Vaping Rule Change will be reviewed, and formal rule change will be voted on in April/May
- Keying was covered earlier in the meeting.
- Clearing Station currently on hold awaiting grant money.
- Board Retreat will be held in May.

A motion was made to go into Executive Session at 7:48 p.m. by Russ Hickman, seconded by Bryon Fessler and passed unanimously.

8. Executive Session – The session was opened at 7:48 p.m. and ended at

9. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at pm by , seconded by and passed unanimously.