

Northstar Sportsmens Club Meeting Minutes

Meeting location: Ringle Library at the Walker Area Community Center, Walker, Minnesota

Date: February 16, 2015

Time: 6:00 pm

The meeting was called to order by President Brian Degrote at 6:00 pm, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

The previous meeting minutes were distributed.

Those attending the meeting were:

**Carl Berg
Jim Dean
Bonnie Conrad
Hank Conrad
Doug Strecker
George Jurgenson
Dan Smith
Doug Zuehlsdorff
Robert Johnson
Alan Colliander
Brian Degrote
Mark Bovee
Nik Opsal
Duane Marty
Patrick Tyk**

The minutes of the January 19, 2015 meeting were distributed for review. The name of Robert Moore was added to reflect that he gave the report regarding the WHA trap shooting team. Also added: The snow blower at the range apparently does not work properly. Brian Degrote indicated he would transport the blower to Walker Power Equipment.

A motion was made by Brian Degrote to accept the Minutes with the changes as noted above. The motion was seconded by Alan Colliander. The motion was approved by all board members present.

The Treasurer's report was read and a motion was made by Brian Degrote to accept the report. The motion was seconded by Alan Colliander. The motion was approved by all board members present.

Carl Berg made the board aware that the WHA trap shooting team's funds are currently reported under the Northstar Sportmen's Club 503C. The WHA trap shooting team has applied for their own 503C status.

Israel Moe presented to us an offer to include the Northstar Sportmen's Club in a two page advertising display in his "Lake Guide" magazine at no cost to the Club. He asked that one person be designated as a contact to work with him regarding the advertising data. Brian Degrote indicated that Patrick Tyk should be the contact.

Nik Opsal presented a range report. He reported the only activity had been the use of the range for a concealed weapons class.

Doug Zuehlsdorff presented an update regarding the upcoming banquet/fund raiser on April 25, 2015 at the Moondance Event Center. He reported that 9 large posters were created. He suggested that the Club give the Pilot Independent newspaper two tickets in exchange for advertising of the event. He also requested a budget of \$5,000 for prizes. Dan Smith made a motion to approve the request for \$5,000. Carl Berg seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all board members present.

Doug Strecker volunteered to design and layout a 3D archery course at the range, utilizing the existing targets. Doug Zuehlsdorff made a motion to approve. Brian Degrote seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all board members present.

The calendar of events were changed as follows: There will be no winter shoot on March 15, 2015 and the April 5, 2015 winter shoot was changed to March 29, 2015.

Brian Degrote presented a request by FOG Firearms to utilize range facilities for the use of rapid fire weapons by their potential customers. FOG Firearms indicated that they would bear all costs associated with this request. Several board members indicated that the by-laws state that no rapid fire weapons can be used at the range. No action was taken on this request. More definitive information was requested of FOG Firearms regarding this request.

Brian Degrote reported that the Pilot Independent newspaper contacted him regarding advertising in the Source which the board had previously approved. It was misunderstood that the contact call was for the Vacation Guide instead. Brian Degrote is now requesting \$300.00 to also advertise in the Vacation Guide. Carl Berg made a motion to approve. Brian Colliander seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all board members present.

George Jurgenson reported that there is new grant money from the DNR for improvements at the range. He volunteered to review and investigate the terms and conditions of the grant money and report back to the board.

The Leech Lake Walleye Tournament is May 30, 31, 2015. In the past the Club has provided volunteers to assist with the tournament and has received compensation from the tournament. Any and all volunteers are welcome.

The Club approved \$800.00 for sponsorship of area kids fishing tournaments. Carl Berg made a motion to approve. Doug Zuehlsdorff seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all board members present.

Carl Berg volunteered to head the scholarship committee again this year.

The City of Walker is requesting donations to aid in the construction of a new sign advertising local events. The suggested donation from the Club is \$2500.00. For this donation the Club would receive two advertisements a month for 24 months. No action was taken by the board.

The City of Walker also requested a donation for playground equipment at the City Park. No action was taken by the board.

The next meeting will be on Monday, March 16, 2015 at 6:00 pm at the Walker Area Community Center.

The meeting concluded at 8:20 pm.

Respectively submitted by Patrick Tyk