

## **WMSA Board Meeting, 13 Feb, 2019**

1. Meeting called to order at 1830. Present were Board members Brenda Silva, Vesta Melcher, Seth Nadel, Sam Underwood, Linda Gilbertson, Julius Aubin, Dan Fondren, George Butcher, Jeff Wall, Judy Sanchez standing in for Dee White, and Larry Kennedy. Also present were Clay Howard, Manuel Tavares, Ken Josten, Deborha Childers, Don Childers, Doug Heckman, Jim Tuvell, Alice Tuvell, Bill Weldon, JoAnn Weldon, Tony Sanchez, and Mike Melcher.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Secretary's Report

A. Motion to accept- A motion was made by Sam Underwood and seconded by Judy Sanchez to accept the minutes of the 9 Jan, 2019 Board meeting as published. Passed unanimously.

4. Treasurer's Report

A. Motion to pay the bills- Fred Parry Had previously presented a \$46.29 bill for target staples. Seth Nadel presented a bill for \$55.64 for ear plugs and generator fuel. A motion to approve payment of these bills was made by Dan Fondren and seconded by Sam Underwood. Passed with one dissenting vote.

B. Motion to accept- A motion to accept the Treasurer's report as read was made by Linda Gilbertson and seconded by Sam Underwood. Passed unanimously. WMSA currently has \$43,622.44 in the bank. A copy of the Treasurer's report is available in the Secretary's files.

C. Monthly shooter days- The 2nd Knoll Range generated 156 shooter days during January. This is a lower number than usual, but the range was closed for 4 days due to inclement weather.

5. Membership Report- As of February 11, 2019 we have 396 memberships, 182 family and 214 individual. Adding the 246 dependent members, that gives us 642 current WMSA members, which includes 67 juniors.

6. Publicity Director's Report

A. Adopt-a-Highway Program. WMSA has volunteered to keep Highway 60 from milepost 345 to milepost 346 litter free. This is about 1/2 mile west of the road to the range. The section of highway at the range road is not available for adoption. The first litter cleanup will be on Wednesday, 20 March, probably in the afternoon. An e-mail blast will be sent to WMSA members and a notice will be put on the website for all interested parties to come to the 13 March Board meeting to sign up and receive

training, or volunteers can contact Linda Gilbertson directly for information. After the first cleanup, ADOT will install signs announcing that this road section has been adopted by WMSA. Jeff Wall suggested that perhaps future cleanups could be done on a Saturday, followed by a half day of range maintenance work. This will be taken under consideration.

B. White Mountain Magazine- This is an annual magazine which makes available 15,000 copies to Chambers of Commerce, motels, etc throughout the states of Arizona and New Mexico. This year's issue will feature a two page article, with pictures, about the 2nd Knoll Range. A motion was made by Linda Gilbertson, seconded by Dan Fondren, to authorize \$250.00 for a 2nd Knoll ad in the magazine. Approved unanimously.

C. Pinetop Lakeside Chamber of Commerce coupon book- The P/L COC is offering to all members an opportunity to be included in a coupon book. There is no cost to us, or to the other approximately 200 businesses who will be included. It will be sold to the public for \$20.00 per book. After much discussion, it was decided that the WMSA coupon would provide the bearer of the coupon a 50% reduction in one day's range fee at 2nd Knoll. A motion to this effect was made by Linda Gilbertson and seconded by Vesta Melcher. The motion passed.

D. Brownells/NRA Day- The Board discussed the possibility of hosting a day at the range, with significant material support from Brownells and the NRA This may be held in conjunction with the 3rd anniversary of the range, and would include demos of all the shooting venues. This project is in work.

E. Plaque for the Show Low Cafe- Discussion was held regarding possibly presenting a plaque to the Show Low Cafe thanking them for their hospitality, and announcing the date/time of WMSA meetings. This project is also in work

## 7. Range Update

A. RSO First Aid/AED/CPR training- Seth Nadel is working with Timber Mesa to lock in dates for this training. The batteries and pads for the AED have expired. The spares have been installed. Seth is working with AZG&FD to determine whether they replace the spares or if WMSA must pay for the replacements.

B. Range propane heaters- Seth will meet with a distributor from Mesa to determine the feasibility of installing infrared heaters on the overhead cover of the 100 Yard range. This will entail getting engineering clearance to ensure the added load will not be excessive.

C. Road work on Highway 60- ADOT will be repaving highway 60 from Show Low to the "Y." They have promised, in writing, not to work on the range road area when the range is open. Seth is requesting from ADOT a turn out/slow down area for vehicles entering the range road, and that the gravel path located just east of the eastbound range sign be made to look less like an entry to the range.

D. Donation of NRA flag- Richard Smith has donated an NRA flag to WMSA. Seth is checking with the USFS, via AZG&FD, to see if we can display it outdoors, or whether it must be hung inside the range shack.

E. Sign on the 50 Yard range building- Quite often people who are unfamiliar with the range have mistakenly stopped at the 50 Yard range while shooting is in progress to check in. Pending AZG&FD and USFS approval, a sign will be constructed and posted on the 50 Yard range building directing these folks to the 100 Yard range.

F. 2nd Knoll paperwork used by USFS in five other forests- WMSA has been informed that the 2nd Knoll paperwork is being used at ranges in five other national forests.

G. Seth Nadel reported that engineering plans for the caretaker pad, etc have not been completed yet.

H. Website- As part of the transition to a new webmaster, \$175.00 is required to transfer from Go Daddy to Siteground. This will cover the use of Siteground services for three years. A motion to this effect was made by Brenda Silva and seconded by Linda Gilbertson. Passed unanimously. The new website is ready to go live. A final payment of \$975.00 is due to Richelle Anderson before this occurs. George Butcher reported problems with sizing of the new site to smaller screens. He will contact Richelle directly regarding this problem. A motion was made by Brenda Silva, seconded by Linda Gilbertson, to provide payment of the \$975.00 to Richelle, pending solution of the problem reported by George. Passed unanimously.

## 8. New Business

A. Bill Weldon offered the following.

1. Bill presented a tentative floor plan for the clubhouse/multi-purpose building.

2. There is a need to order more paper target faces. Specifically \$75 for Young Guns, \$250 for Bullseye, and \$175 for the 100 Yard public range. Bullseye club will reimburse this cost, but their order is included to get a big enough order for a price break. The question was raised as to what level the next price break may occur. This was not known. A motion was made by Dan Fondren, seconded by Brenda Silva, for Bill

to expend funds up to \$1000.00 for paper target faces. The actual amount will depend on at what level he can get the best deal.

3. Bill reported that he would be spending \$50-60 for target frame materials, to be reimbursed at a later date.

B. Caretaker responsibilities- Julius Aubin and Sam Underwood are working on the list of responsibilities, and a proposed contract for the caretaker.

C. Cowboy matches- George Butcher announced that the High Country Cowboys may be hosting shooting events in the future. He inquired about the possibility of shooters parking their campers on site. Seth Nadel stated that at this time, camping was not allowed inside the range boundaries, but that shooters could dry camp in the national forest on the west side of the range road just outside the gate. He stressed that such camping would be dependent on possible fire restrictions in place at the time.

9. Motion to Adjourn- A motion was made by Jeff Wall, seconded by Sam Underwood, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. Accordingly, the meeting adjourned at 1945.