

WMSA Board Meeting, 11 Sept, 2019

1. Call to Order- The meeting was called to order at 1830. Present were Board members Seth Nadel, Vesta Melcher, Jeff Wall, Brenda Silva, Dee White, Dan Fondren, Julius Aubin, Sam Underwood, Linda Gilbertson, Brian Moffatt, and Larry Kennedy. Also present were Judy Sanchez, Tony Sanchez, Fred Bridges, Cathy Parry, Clay Howard, Tony Silva, Don Childers, Deborha Childers, Dale Kalchert, Jim Tuvell, Alice Tuvell, and Russ Theodore.

2, Pledge of Allegiance

3. Secretary's Report

A. Motion to accept- A motion was made by Sam Underwood and seconded by Brenda Silva to accept the minutes of 14 August, 2019 Board meeting as published. Passed unanimously.

4. Treasurer's Report

A. Motion to pay the bills- Mike Melcher presented a \$163.17 bill for supplies used in refinishing the shooting benches and stools on the 100 yard range. Vesta Melcher presented a \$48.65 bill for Target Tamer fliers for the anniversary weekend. Bill Weldon presented a \$62.05 bill for lumber for target construction. Larry Kennedy presented a \$20.00 bill for renewal of WMSA membership in the Arizona State Rifle and Pistol Association. Jeff Wall presented a \$176.75 bill for putty and refinishing supplies for the shooting bench refinishing project, and for pizza to feed the refinishing volunteer crew. Dwight Yochem presented a \$20.52 bill for wasp foam and a push broom. John Tod presented a \$49.09 bill for trash drum liners, bench refinishing supplies, mailing costs, and printing charges. Judy Sanchez presented a \$40.00 bill for charges from hauling two loads of weeds and other vegetation from the range to Dirty Deeds for disposal. Dee White presented a \$10.16 bill for ice for the anniversary celebration. Fred Bridges presented a \$5.00 bill for quart plastic bags to sort range brass. A motion to approve payment of these bills was made by Linda Gilbertson and seconded by Dee White. Passed unanimously with one abstention.

B. Motion to accept- A motion to accept the Treasurer's report as read was made by Sam Underwood and seconded by Linda Gilbertson. WMSA currently has \$55,087.83 in the bank. A copy of the Treasurer's report is available in the Secretary's files.

C. Monthly shooter days report- The 2nd Knoll Target Range generated 628 shooter days for August, 2019. In addition there were 30 non-shooting visitors during the month.

D. Option of obtaining a WMSA debit card- WMSA Treasurer, Vesta Melcher proposed obtaining a debit card for the range manager (John Tod currently) to purchase range supplies as required. The proposed card would be for the WMSA account and would have John's name on it. It would have \$500 per day limit , the smallest cap possible. The card can't be used at an ATM, and all receipts would show up on the monthly bank statement. This proposal generated significant discussion. Linda Gilbertson suggested that "large purchases" be approved by the Board. Larry Kennedy refined this by suggesting that any single item purchase over \$125 require Board approval. Seth Nadel suggested a need for a second card holder. A motion was made by Brenda Silva, seconded by Linda Gilbertson, to acquire two debit cards for the WMSA account, one in the name of John Tod and one in the name of Vesta Melcher. Any single item purchase over \$125 to be made by either person would require prior Board approval. In further discussion the motion was amended to say that Board approval for purchases over the \$125 limit could be accomplished either at a regular Board meeting or by an email vote. All purchases must be for WMSA use only, not for individual clubs under the WMSA umbrella. The cards must never be used for personal items, and in the event of misuse of the cards, the financial malfeasance must be made good by the card holder. Passed unanimously.

5. Membership Report- As of 11 September we have 296 memberships, 119 family and 177 individual. Adding the 139 dependent members gives us 435 current WMSA members 21 of which are juniors.

6. Publicity Secretary Report

A. Since the last Board meeting:

1. An article was printed in the August 16th issue of the White Mountain Independent (WMI) entitled "Second Knoll continues to grow."

2. A photo was printed in the August 30th issue of the WMI showing the winner of the Dillon 650 raffle.

3. The Show Low Chamber of Commerce Showcase magazine (fall/winter, 2029) gave reference to the Second Knoll Range on page 7.

4. The White Mountain Bullseye shooters sponsored the 2019 Arizona State Short Course Match on August 17-18. This was publicized on the Chamber of Commerce calendar.

5. Third anniversary celebration, August 24-26. Thanks to all the volunteers! We sold many raffle tickets for the Leupold spotting scope, and accepted

donations for 17 Second Knoll polo shirts and numerous items from the donation table. This was publicized on the Chambers' calendars and flyers.

B. Future considerations:

1. Adopt-a-Highway cleanup (MP 345-346) postponed until after the Highway 60 construction is finished. The new date is anticipated to be in October.

2. WMI news brief; Brenda Silva and Tony Sanchez are the State Champions for the NRA Short Course Match.

3. WMI article on the Second Knoll Third anniversary event.

4. WMI article on the White Mountain Practical Shooters sponsorship of a National Level 1 match on September 28th. This will be publicized on the Chambers' calendars and flyers.

5. Fall Festival at Charlie Clarks Orchard- September 27-29. Volunteers are needed to man the WMSA/Second Knoll table on Saturday morning and afternoon, and Sunday Morning.

6. Ticket sales continue for the Leupold spotting scope raffle. The drawing will be on October 9th at the WMSA Board meeting.

C. Trip advisor- A recent entry on Trip Advisor praised the 2nd Knoll Target Range, calling it "The best range in Arizona." RSO Brian Moffatt was singled out as being very helpful. Well done to all!

7. Range Update

A. Thanks to all volunteers who helped to refinish the shooting benches and stools, and clean up the weeds on the range! Everything looks great!

B. Some confusion exists as to whether a non-member of WMSA who shoots in a club sponsored match such as cowboy or practical pistol, and then wants to continue shooting on the public range, will have to pay an additional \$8 fee. Significant discussion ensued. The consensus was that this subject had been previously addressed in a Board meeting. Larry Kennedy was tasked to research the WMSA Board meeting minutes, and provide the Board information on what had been decided.

C. Work on US 60- ADOT work on US 60 has started. Plan your trip time to the range accordingly. The work consists of patching rather than repaving.

D. Flags- Thanks to Dwight Yochem for installing the flag holders along the access road. Currently the United States Flag is displayed, along with the flags of

Arizona and the NRA. The possibility of adding more flags, such as military service flags, was discussed and the consensus was to leave it at the current three.

E. Seth Nadel briefed the attendees on a "Rifleman's Holiday" shoot to be held at the Northern Arizona Sportsman's Association range in St Johns, AZ on 5-6 October, 2019. For more information visit nasashootingclub.com.

8. New Business

A. Request by WMPS to reserve all competition/training bays on all 5th Saturdays- WMPS had requested via email to reserve all 4 bays on all 5th Saturdays through calendar year 2020. Discussion was quite intense. A motion was made by Dan Fondren to reserve the bays as requested. There was no second. More discussion ensued. Jeff Wall suggested that the motion be modified with a five week window. The 5th Saturdays would be left open until five weeks prior. If no other entity had reserved a bay or multiple bays by that time, WMPS could then reserve the bays without Board approval. Julius Aubin seconded the motion with the suggested modification. Linda Gilbertson suggested that WMPS consider the 4th Sunday to leave an added Saturday for other entities. No votes were taken, and at Dan Fondren's request, the motion was tabled until the October meeting to allow time for him to consult the WMPS leadership.

B. Jeff Wall asked what was being done to offer firearms training to area young people via schools, etc. Linda Gilbertson had done some research on this and provided information. There exists a state sponsored and approved program of instruction for firearms training in schools. It is a complicated process with multiple requirements, which would render it possible, but not really feasible. Brian Moffatt suggested advertizing the Young Guns program at local campgrounds, private schools, etc. However, he stated that if the Young Guns program grew much more, he would need help to manage it.

9. Motion to adjourn- A motion to adjourn was made by Dan Fondren and seconded by Sam Underwood. The motion passed with one negative vote. Meeting adjourned at 1938.