

Oil Capital Rod & Gun Club

MINUTES

October 9, 2023, 19:00 hr. Main Clubhouse

Regular Board Meeting

	2023		2024		2025
Present	Jack Killingsworth	Excused	David Woodral	Present	Bob Williams
Present	Gary Kruse	Present	Brad Cheffey	Present	Don Akin
Present	Rick Peeler	Present	Larry Bahler	Present	Jack Ostendorf

Welcome and Introductions: Call to Order by Chairman Larry B.

Chair

Motion to approve agenda by Brad C., 2nd Jack K. None opposed. Motion carried.

Members & Guests with Business:

Chair

Members Mark Combs #239, Randy Roberts #473, Tom Montgomery #530, Lonnie Vermillion #201, Rob Scott #774 and Ken Nelson #416 attended the meeting.

Lonnie Vermillion appeared to remind the BoD of the upcoming Fall State Championship muzzle loader competition on October 19, 2023. Fee is \$10 plus \$10 per match. He has trophies, medals and ribbons to award as well as powder to give away. He reiterated that their shooters really enjoy OCR&GC as a match site. Lonnie provided a copy of the NMLRA publication Muzzle Blasts with cover featuring Weldon Burns a young shooter from Houston, Texas, at the Territorial Match at OCR&GC shooting the flintlock his grandfather built for him. Lonnie requested that the rifle range be left as is in any future pistol bay expansion plans.

Mark Combs appeared to voice his concern over the extent of the clearing of the berms and discuss that he received a recent photograph via e-mail of a broken toilet that indicated member vandalism. He asked that he not get e-mails of that nature as he does not believe everything broken at the Club is member vandalism. He also voiced that he is not in favor of cameras on the property for the primary concern of privacy. The BoD explained that we currently use game cameras in areas where we have had obvious damage such as 200 rounds being fired into a wall or target posts being shot up. The cameras have a SIMS card and images are not stored. The BoD agreed to keep any vandalism investigations in-house and indicated we try to keep all issues at the individual level when problems arise. Mr. Combs also voiced opposition to any new pistol bays.

Randy Roberts indicated he does not support more pistol ranges as most steel challenge pistol shooters are not members. He reported the last shoot had 3 members of 21 shooters. He also raised a concern that the BoD uses its ability to complete projects under \$20,000 without a membership vote. He supports a member vote on each project, so the BoD does not engage in a hidden agenda. The BoD indicated we have gotten several members from steel challenge and have others on the waiting list. All BoD meetings are open to members and each project is discussed in the minutes for months or even years before they are undertaken. The BoD agreed that transparency is important and will take that into consideration. Mr. Roberts also voiced his concern over the extent of the berm clearing and cost of the project.

Rob Scott questioned why we cleared the berms to the extent that we did and voiced opposition to additional pistol bays. Jack O, as project manager of the recent dirt work, provided the contractors invoice and indicated that the berm clearing was estimated at \$3,000 of the \$18,125 contract total. Other work done included fence line clearing, pond bank clearing, shotgun area drainage, and pot - hole filling and compaction. He indicated that the project was intended to address a safety concern that our berms are not as tall as they appeared with all the vegetation and to increase the aesthetics of the club. Grass has been planted to address the valid concern of erosion. Mr. Scott voiced that too much was done to the berms and the money spent could have gone to other projects such as building maintenance. He also encouraged the Club to get young shooters involved with shooting sports.

Tom Montgomery echoed that the berm clearing was too much, and the money spent would have been better used in the shotgun area. He objected to additional pistol bays and indicated that we could save money by fixing the potholes with our tractor. Tom also indicated he supports concrete benches on the 50-yard range. Larry B. asked for someone to make a proposal to the BoD for the project.

Ken Nelson indicated that the pistol area gets bulk of attention and money needs to be spread around. He stated he was not in favor of the berm clearing or the funds spent.

Don Akin reported that there are several ideas concerning new pistol bays, but no cost benefit analysis has been completed nor has the BoD made any decisions. If the BoD finds a plan that is feasible it would be put forth to the membership for a vote.

Larry B. agreed that we took too much vegetation from the berms. He further indicated that the reason the rifle/pistol building was remodeled first was it was the easiest to tackle and unfortunately the contractor died before he could begin the shotgun area buildings. Since then, we have obtained another contractor and are close to proposing a remodel project for the shotgun area to the membership. We also recently added a wobble trap feature to that area. He also indicated that the last new building proposed for the shotgun area was too large, according to feedback, and another version is being considered. Discussed that the new pistol areas are being discussed to provide members options when matches are being held. Discussed income of pistol matches, \$5,000 this year so far, is the only real source of income for that end of the Club. Discussed that most recent load of shotgun targets cost \$22,000 and we will net \$6,000 if shot at member rate. Discussed we have CDs of \$618,000 which are not earmarked and an additional \$259,706 restricted to land fund. Consensus of members present is that no additional pistol bays are needed. Further discussed pros/cons of repair of shotgun buildings versus a new building and concrete benches on 50-yard range which would increase participation in BR-50 matches.

Secretary:

Brad C.

Approval of Minutes of previous BoD meeting conducted on September 11, 2023, and any post BoD meeting matters and Electronic Board Voting. Motion by Jack K., 2nd Jack O. None opposed. Motion carried.

Correspondence: Magazine.

Club History Project: Included 2 more years in history and article will be submitted for the TARGET.

Treasurer:

Gary K.

Financial Activity for month just closed and Treasurer's notes:

- 1) September 2023 Net Income: \$26,926.61.
- 2) Year to Date Net Income: \$16,493.28.

In September, \$26,080 was spent on grounds maintenance with \$18,125 for the dirt work project and \$4,955 spent on plumbing work. Electrical work on gate and meter was \$3,000 and \$7,204.87 was recorded for 3rd quarter depreciation. We have added 3 new accounts to record keeping. Account #209 is rifle/pistol area reserve, #210 is other repairs reserve and #211 is archery reserve. We have a CD coming up on 10-16-23 at OCCU. It is a land fund CD and will probably remain at OCCU as they are offering 5% yield on some CDs. Discussed post office raised rate for forwarded mail and we get several pieces each year during dues collection.

Motion of Acceptance of Report for Audit by Jack K., 2nd Brad C. None opposed.
Motion carried.

Larry B. reported that we have delivery of shotgun targets on 10-28-23 and we will load the shotgun houses on 11-5-23. As we have a \$20,000 purchase limit and the cost of a truck load of targets is now \$23,000, Larry sold 3 pallets to the Scouts to keep us within budget. Gary K. reports we do not need to raise shooting rates yet and there may be a cheaper target released soon to look into.

Reports by Activity, Programs & Event Chairmen

Jack K.

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| 1) Dinner Meeting October 16, 2023, at 7 pm. Italian theme. Price going to \$8. | Jack O. |
| 2) Swap Meet netted \$30. | Jack K. |
| 3) Club is hosting the State Military Bolt Action Shoot-off. We anticipate 4 or 5 clubs including Oklahoma City, Tri City, Ada and others. Anticipate filling all 33 slots available. | Jack K. |
| 4) The FFA Sporting Clays/ODWC is October 18. | Shawn G. |
| 5) OMLRA Fall Championship October 19-22. | Lonnie V. |

Committee Reports:

Membership:

Jack K.

- 1) 3 transfers in works. No Club owned sales this month.
- 2) Have 7 on Top 10 list with 3 to contact to add on.
- 3) May not need orientation this month.
- 4) All youth shotgun coaches have attended orientation.
- 5) Have received 515 dues payments as of Saturday.

Website:

Jack K.

Will do upgrade to Version 10 toward end of month when they do official rollout.

TARGET:

Jack K.

Article deadline for November 2023 edition is Monday, 10-16-2023.

Budget: Committee Approval

Jack K.

Committee will be Jack K., Gary K., Brad C., Rick P. and Jack O.

- Security: Jack O.
Main Gate Control: Controller has been sporadic. Jack sent an e-mail to Door King and will call them. Jack re-installed our original board, so gate is operational. If the new board is faulty, we will purchase one on e-bay to save money and have an extra. It is a quick install.
- Jack O. reports he will have to do a 3rd version of event blinder. His piece of black plumbing is susceptible to the wind and will have to be modified. He also reported we had 3 failures to lock buildings this last weekend, a coffee pot was left on and we had problems with trash being left in buildings. Discussed whole BoD will be notified when member issues are suspected.
- Policy/By-Laws: Jack O.
Committee to write a By-Law proposal to raise BoD expenditure limit to \$25,000 for shotgun target purchases and insurance coverage.
- Building Committee: Jack O.
Issues with tenant trailer: Mike Updike, our electrician, gained entrance to the trailer and reported he has concerns over flooring and electrical service of trailer. After discussion it was determined that tenant purchased the trailer independent of the club and will have to remove it if he leaves. It seems like he is trying to get organized. Discussed possibility of a loan to assist tenant in getting trailer in order without any real support of the idea.
- Nominating Committee: Don A.
Don has received 3 resumes and photographs thus far and we have 3 openings. Resumes are due by end of dinner meeting and applicants will be disclosed. Discussed remainder of process.
- Facilities: Bob W.
Bob's Projects Punch List:
1) Tree trimming: Nothing to report.
2) Fish feeders and habitat: Added another habitat, need to install feeders. Have food.
3) Mowing grounds and inside 305th fence line: We had a mowing last week.
4) Target backers: Completed most 25-yard targets today.
5) Entry sign: Nothing new to report.
6) Aerobic septic system: Located heads, need to extend height.
7) Obtained landscape timbers for target posts. 1 x 4 lumber too expensive to purchase at Lowes at \$11 per board.
8) Repaired fascia board on 100/200 shooting cover.
9) Obtained auger for target post holes.
- Jack O. indicated he got reports of crappie in the big lake which is disadvantageous.
- Progress to replace 2" water main valves: Brad C.
Project completed as scheduled on 9-15-23. Jack O. reported that after the 4 valves were replaced he got a call from the water department of excessive water use. He discovered a lot of water by the Skeet Ops building and found

water pressure of 115 psi versus our normal 55 psi. He contacted Thomas plumbing and provided an invoice for \$3,510 to repair the line break by Skeet Ops and the main water pressure valve.

Progress for Harris Dirt project: Jack O.
Previously discussed.

Progress on pistol bay wall failure: Jack O.
Jack O. reports we still need a few materials and supplies.

Progress on proposed repairs to Trap Palace: Gary K.

Progress on proposed replacement vs. repair of Skeet Ops: Gary K.
Gary K. had Skeet Ops garage door repaired by Economy Overhead Door for \$195. Discount Garage Door bid \$650.

BoD discussed both Trap Palace and Skeet Ops repairs as Gary K. has a punch list of repairs and a bid for each project from AR Exteriors of Coweta which has been extensively reviewed in prior meetings. Gary K. will put together presentation for member vote on repairs to both buildings.

Upon discussion, Gary K. made a motion that both projects be included in a single vote as we want to improve all areas of Club. 2nd Rick P. Bob W., Jack O., and Jack K. objected to including both projects in one vote. Motion carried 5 to 3.

Progress on shotgun issues: Gary K.
1) Skeet 3 machine repaired.
2) Kinsey and electrician are discussing the installation of international bases on Skeet 6 machines.

Gary K. reported that last week while collecting daily shotgun fees the trap area was \$30 short and the wobble trap area was \$20 short. While he was collecting monies a member approached him about paying for his rounds and gave Gary \$40 when he owed \$22 balancing out the shortages. We do have an issue with shooters placing significant monies on the drum instead of rolling it in so people can make change. On March 2 and 3 it appears by the log sheet that we had 3 or 4 guests shoot with no member listed. Also had problem where one side was \$19 short and wobble trap was \$19 long. It appears people will move around and pay at last location.

Unfinished Business: Chair
Increase membership capacity to 900 members: Not discussed. Larry B.

New Business: Chair
Larry B. reports Glen Fowler and his youth shotgun shooters are requesting to hold a Four Stand Wobble Challenge on 11-5-23. Shooters pay \$15 for 24 targets and a \$10 entry fee. Half of the entry fee goes toward the National Youth Leadership Training Scholarship Fund and half goes toward the purse. Awards from the purse come in the form of shooting certificates. Since the purse is paid up front the Club

does not lose any monies. Upon discussion a motion was made by Larry B. to hold the Four Stand Wobble Challenge on November 5, 2023. 2nd Jack O. None opposed. Motion carried.

Open Board Discussion: None.

Chair

Motion to Adjourn: Motion by Bob W., 2nd Everyone., None opposed. Motion carried.

Next Meeting: Regular Board Meeting set for November 13, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., at the Main Clubhouse.

Notes by Brad C.

Post BoD Meeting Matters and Electronic Board Voting:

Chair

On October 10, 2023, Jack O. put forth a motion to nominate Jesse Vermillion as an Honorary Member in order to help his father, Lonnie Vermillion, with muzzle loader events. Motion passed with 7 yeas, 1 nay and 1 abstain.

On October 30th Larry B. put forth a motion for the BoD to decide when to open and close director elections.

Option 1 provides a 14-day voting window with ballot open Monday, November 27, 2023, at 7 p.m. with e-mail blast notice to membership within 48 hours and a second e-mail to membership on Monday December 4 with a "have you voted yet" message.

Option 2 is a 41-day voting window opening ballot on November 1, 2023, and extending to December BoD meeting.

Option 3 is a 28-day voting window with ballot opening on November 14, 2023, the day after the BoD meeting and extending until December BoD meeting.

Option 3 obtained 6 yeas while option 1 obtained 3 yeas. Therefore, the director voting period will run between November 14, 2023, and the December BoD meeting.