

**Oil Capital Rod & Gun Club**  
**ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES**  
March 18, 2024, 19:00 hr. Main Clubhouse

|         | 2024          |         | 2025           |         | 2026               |
|---------|---------------|---------|----------------|---------|--------------------|
| Excused | David Woodral | Present | Bob Williams   | Present | Gary Kruse         |
| Present | Brad Cheffey  | Present | Don Akin       | Present | Alan Hart          |
| Present | Larry Bahler  | Present | Jack Ostendorf | Present | Jack Killingsworth |

After a delicious meal of corned beef and cabbage, red potatoes, carrots, and soda bread, the Annual Member Meeting began:

Welcome and Introductions by Chairman Larry B.

Chair

Oklahoma Rifle Association:

Mark Vaughan, President

Mark, a lifelong resident of Oklahoma, told of his experiences as ORA President, Oklahoma Gun Club President, law enforcement service and NRA Board membership. He encouraged Oil Capital to renew it's ORA membership as they help preserve gun rights. They went from 300 to 800 members in 1.5 years are looking to expand. ORA has individual, organizational, or family memberships for 1, 3 and 5 years. You can join at [Oklahomarifle.org](http://Oklahomarifle.org). He is working with legislature to gain tax credits for gun safe purchases, and they are trying to attract gun-related businesses to Oklahoma. Next Tuesday he is helping the Governor honor 6 female youth shooters who are receiving shooting scholarship money for college. Discussed how NRA is the only "party at the table" for national gun rights and they are fighting for a "Bill of Rights" for gun owners. He conducted a question/answer session and reminded everyone that ORA gives you legislative updates with their publication.

Treasurer:

Gary K.

Gary Kruse presented the Club's Balance Sheet dated 12-31-2023, which reflects Total Assets of \$1,472,801 with Total Liabilities and Equity of \$1,442,801. The Income Statement dated 12-31-2023, reveals Total Revenue of \$225,418, Total Operating Expenses of \$202,548 for Net Income of \$22,870. The Schedule of Revenue dated 12-31-23, reflects Total General Income of \$172,446 and Total Activity Income of \$52,972. The Schedule of Expenses dated 12-31-23, reflects Total Operating Expenses of \$162,134 and Total Activity Expenses of \$40,228.

It was noted that the Club purchased 2 full loads of shotgun targets to avoid 2024 price increases. Gary Kruse and Larry Bahler conducted a lot of bank comparisons to obtain \$18,000 in interest income for the year.

Budget Committee:

Jack K.

Jack Killingsworth presented the 2024 Budget reflecting Total Revenue of \$215,230 and Total Operating Expenses of \$194,679 for a Net Income of \$20,551.

Jack noted that Jerome Holden recently passed away so the 5 Stand income will be impacted. The Club will restart the program if we can.

Jack also noted that the Annual July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration is on Friday July 5, 2024. The cost of the fireworks show is \$7,500 which is paid for by members. We applaud the Venture Crew 1935 Scouts who have helped us with the celebration for years. We purchased 4 prizes last year and numerous other prizes were donated for a very generous raffle. We have purchased 3 items this year and donations are accepted. We have a Mossberg International Gold Reserve 20 ga O/U, a Begara BRX .22 with carbon fiber barrel and a Sig P365 XMacro 9mm. We have a rifle, pistol, and shotgun to represent all areas of the Club.

Policy/Bylaws Committee:

Jack O.

Jack Ostendorf indicated that the membership will be asked to consider:

- 1) All electronic balloting.
- 2) Bylaw limit of \$20,000 for purchases outside of member vote is being looked at. Twice we have had to order shotgun targets that exceeded \$20,000 which resulted in the Club having to sell some of the targets. We are asking for an increase for repetitive costs such as insurance and targets and non-repetitive costs like Club projects.
- 3) Jack also noted that our IRS status requires that dues cover our operating expenses, and we are having to use activity income to pay operating expenses.

Club History Project:

Brad C.

Brad Cheffey indicated the project has taken longer than expected as it began as a series of interviews which the pandemic shut down. We then turned to the minutes for information and as numerous years of records have been briefed, we are beginning the final product. Project will be done this year. Watch the TARGET for "Do You Remember When Articles." Final product will be e-mailed to members.

Membership Committee:

Jack K.

We have 65 individuals on the waiting list which equates to a 2 year wait period or longer. If you want someone on the list, provide the information requested on the Website to Member Services.

Website and "TARGET":

Jack K.

We have 746 subscribers out of 825 members. We are concerned that 50 unsubscribed from the e-mail list. There is a link posted in the TARGET to sign up.

Club Security:

Jack O.

Trailer Removal

Larry B.

The 101<sup>st</sup> entry gate has had substantial work and it operates most of the time. The back-up is the 305<sup>th</sup> gate utilizing the building door code for access. Be sure to wear your badge on site and be cognizant of members incorrectly using the facility. Gate proximity cards were purchased in 2019 and they are starting to age. If you have one in good condition that does not work, Jack Killingsworth will replace it for free. If it is broken, the new card will cost \$35.

Members asked what type of information the Board needs if they observe violations. Jack O. indicated if we could get date, time, description of incident, member or guest name and

description of the individual as well as a description of their vehicle it would help Board in determining who to call in to address. We can pull gate entry and exit data to help in investigation. A vehicle tag number does not necessarily help us.

Larry B. reported the tenant trailer has been removed and Tenant Sebastian Muskrat will replace the trailer with something else. The contracted company began removing the trailer on 3-14-24 at 9am and the last load was hauled off at 3:30 pm.

Facilities Committee:

Bob W.

Bob Williams discussed the following projects and costs: 1) Complete property fencing (materials on hand), 2) Repair small pond dock (\$1,000 if wood needs to be replaced.), 3) Stabilize and repaint entry sign (in progress), 4) Routine target repair (\$2,400), 5) Trim interior trees and fence line (\$20,000), 6) New fish feeders and habitat have been installed (paid for last year), 7) Burn brush piles (\$0), 8) Weed spray (\$300), 9) Mowing (\$12,800), 10) Replace gate valves in main water line (\$4,000 - completed last year), 11) Clean out Skeet and Trap buildings (\$0), 12) Repaint Main Clubhouse (\$3,000 to \$5,000), 13) Repair Main Clubhouse Roof (\$12,000), 14) Renovate Trap Palace (\$25,000 to \$35,000), 15) Renovate Skeet Ops (\$20,000 to \$50,000), and 16) Repair pistol bay walls (materials purchased last year – club labor this year).

Bob Williams also reported on the Annual Christmas Project. We formerly purchased food items and packed them in baskets to provide to Disabled American Veterans and Sunnyside Church. When Covid began we transitioned to obtaining gift cards from Reasor's Grocery Store at a 3% discount and provide them to the DAV. Sixty-five families are served from our donations. [A hat was passed around the meeting and members donated \$156 on the spot toward the cause.]

Members with Business:

Chair

- 1) Discussed possibility of taking electronic dues payments.
- 2) Discussed an increase in membership to 900. There has been low voter response to this question and it failed by 6 votes in 2015, 8 votes in 2018, and 20 votes recently. Discussed how to communicate the need to members.

Chairman's Minute:

Larry B.

Larry Bahler discussed issue of operating costs not being covered by dues income. He also raised question of how to increase voter participation. The Club posts all issues to be voted on in the TARGET to prepare members. Members suggested pointed, short e-mails that target specific groups and the use of surveys. Jack O. indicated that multifaceted increases tied to capital projects have been successful in the past. Utilization of surveys was discussed further.

Adjourn:

Chair

Bob Williams made motion to adjourn. 2<sup>nd</sup> Brad Cheffey. None opposed. Motion carried.