

## **SOUTHPORT GUN CLUB, Inc.**

Monthly Meeting

March 10, 2015

### Attendance:

Tom Becker, Ken Normandy, Scott Lauder, Bill Means, Dora Potekin, Erik Lundquist, Jon Speck, Nick Kasemeotes, Beau Bosovich, eleven regular members, one visitor and three membership candidates.

### Opening – Tom Becker:

Tom called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### Secretary's report –Scott Lauder:

Scott read the minutes for the February meeting which were approved as read.

### Treasurer's report – Bill Means:

Bill reported that we have a balance of approximately \$9,400. We have \$4,245 in debt for the siding project. The Johnson Bank line of credit has been approved for another year. We have approximately \$14,000 available from the line of credit.

### Membership report – Dora Potekin:

Dora reported that we have eighty-five regular members and nine senior members for a total of ninety-four members. \$2,640 has been collected in membership dues. Various work credits have been applied.

Mike Ditscheit was at the meeting for his second reading. Mike works for the Racine police department as a fire arms instructor; he holds NRA instructor certification for pistol and rifle. Mike is also one of the adult leaders for the Union Grove Broncos Youth Pistol League. Mike is willing to help around the range as needed. Mike is sponsored by Scott Lauder. Mike was approved via voice vote.

Joshua Panyk was unable to attend the meeting for his second reading. Joshua was invited back to the April meeting for his second reading.

Mike Haubrock was at the meeting for his first reading. Mike is sponsored by Joe Medina. He lives in Kenosha and works for Sams Club. He is not a competitive shooter but is interested in learning. He is also a veteran of the US Air Force. Mike was invited back to the April meeting for his second reading.

Eric Hill was at the meeting for his first reading. Eric is sponsored by Joe Medina. He lives in Racine. He volunteers at Halo Outreach and works with Todd at the Gun Shop. Eric is interested in improving his shooting skills. He was invited back to the April meeting for his second reading.

Chris Warden introduced himself as a member candidate, but has no sponsor.

#### Communications – Tom Becker:

Jon Speck reported for the rifle league. Team has joined the Southwest Three Position league as well as the current four position league. He also stated that the fall league is well underway with several new members. The team is looking for new members and all are welcome to join.

Jon is also the Wisconsin State Small Bore Coordinator. He stated that he thinks that has found another venue to host the 3-position championship on March 20, 21, 22, 2015 and won't need to use Southport. He will inform Scott to release the dates from our calendar once he has finalized the event.

Jon is planning an SMP Sporter Rifle event for October. Originally Jon wanted to tie it with the Oktoberfest as was done in 2014; however, Nick stated that Oktoberfest could benefit from three days as we turned away shooters last year. Jon will move the match to the weekend before or after Oktoberfest. Jon is planning a second Sporter Rifle event for January 16, 2016. More information will be forth coming.

Bill Means reported that the Winter Two-gun league is under way with 32 participants and that there are some opening on Monday evenings should anyone want to join the league.

Scott Lauder reported that we have not had any new sign-ups for NRA membership. Scott also reminded everyone that they can renew their membership on our website and receive a \$10 discount on the NRA dues.

Tom informed the group that Brian Daugherty will be joining the weekly maintenance crew in the fall. He will receive one year's worth of dues credit for taking up this responsibility.

#### Maintenance – Erik Lundquist:

Erik reported that the projects listed below are on hold until after the Winter League is completed.

- Open maintenance projects:
  - Paint Front Door – enamel to match siding
  - Replace missing or significantly damaged ceiling tiles in range
  - Cover back vertical area of suspended bullet baffle.
  - Repair window casing on front of building and repaint. (Tony Delfrate - Spring.)
  - Repair "**SOUTHPORT MASTERS**" sign (Tom Becker)
- Paint walls and floor (red portion) in range. Erik to coordinate.
- Replace floor lighting cover panels – Erik (Jon Speck to assist)
- Fill pot holes in front of rental property - Todd Ogren

#### Rental – Tony DelFrata:

Tony was not at the meeting to give his report; however, the tenant was present. The tenant reports that he is happy and has no issues. Todd Ogren has agreed to get a quotation on glass blocks for the basement windows.

#### Old Business:

There was nothing new to report on the BSA Rifle Merit Badge program.

Nick Kasemeotes reported that one club jacket has been ordered.

Erik reports that the honor system for the snacks in the refrigerator is working well.

Ken Normandy reports that the honor system for targets is working well.

Bill reported that the application for CMP membership is in process.

Ron Shafer requested April 11, 2015 to be held for a BSA Merit Badge program. The date was approved by the membership. Ron is also looking for club member assistance: Don Michalek, Dusty Nichols, Scott Torola, and Steve Thurmond volunteered to assist. Scott Lauder will place the date on the website calendar.

#### New Business:

Jon Speck presented his plan to start a Youth Rifle Program at Southport Masters. He has already purchased four youth competition rifles. His goal is to have a team of ten youth members along with adult supervisor/coaches. He wants to obtain ten rifles, scopes and stands. He is unsure of the amount of range time needed for this project as it is in the early planning stages. Jon is requesting support from Southport to move forward with the planning of this project. He will keep the club members informed of his project over the next couple of months. After considerable discussion, Bill Means moved and Beau Bosovich seconded: "The club shall allocate \$1,500.00 for the planning and purchase of basic equipment for the youth rifle team project." After some additional discussion, the motion passed via voice vote.

Beau Bosovich has requested that September 12, 13, 19, 20 and 26, 2015 be set aside for this fall's Hunter Education Program. Scott will place these dates on the website calendar, pending WDRN approval.

Scott Lauder announced that he has received communication from Wisconsin FORCE that there are still several openings for the Wisconsin Indoor Pistol Match to be held at the Beloit Range on March 20, 21, and 22, 2015. Anyone interested should look at the Wisconsin FORCE website.

Ed Delgadillo stated that Bullseye shooting and competition is a dying sport. He is happy to see the club work with the Union Grove youth team and the development of a Southport Youth Rifle Team. He believes that exposing as many people to our 50-foot range and our sport will be an advantage in the future.

#### Closing:

Tom adjourned the meeting at 8:10 pm

#### Respectfully submitted:

Scott Lauder  
Secretary  
Southport Gun Club