

SOUTHPORT GUN CLUB, Inc.

Monthly Meeting  
September 9, 2014

Attendance:

Tom Becker, Ken Normandy, Bill Means, Scott Lauder, Steve Close, Nick Kasemeotes, Erik Lundquist, Tony DelFrate, Beau Bosovich, Jon Speck, 12 regular members and 3 membership candidates.

Opening – Tom Becker:

Tom called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary's report –Scott Lauder:

Scott read the minutes for the August meeting. There was one change to the name of Todd's construction business. The minutes were approved as corrected.

Treasurer's report –Bill Means:

We have a total balance of approximately \$18,100 of which \$13,500 is cash on hand. We will require the purchase of additional targets to get us through the shooting season. Monies were submitted from Steve Close for August dues received.

Membership report – Steve Close:

Steve reported we that have 85 regular members and 8 Senior Members for a total of 93 members. Twenty-three membership invoices notices are to go out and \$850 in dues have been collected. Anyone receiving a "Second Notice" should note that August invoices were delayed and the software doesn't take human error into account. Work credits were reported and recorded.

Philip Marry was at the meeting for his second reading. Philip is sponsored by Dusty Nichols and Erik Lundquest. Philip is an attorney and has offered his services to the club if needed. He is interested in pistol shooting. He was approved for membership via voice vote.

Mike Walczak was at the meeting for his second reading. Mike is sponsored by Todd Ogren. Mike is an electrical engineer by training and lives in Kenosha. Mike is interested in joining a league when he improves his shooting. He was approved for membership via voice vote.

Jason Wurtzinger was at the meeting for his second reading. Jason is sponsored by Todd Ogren. Jason is an auto technician by training and lives in Kenosha. He has been shooting rifle and shotgun; he is leaning pistol shooting. He was approved for membership via voice vote.

Communications – Tom Becker:

Tom reported that the Fall Newsletter has been emailed to the membership and is available on the website. Tom apologized for the errors that were evident in the newsletter. He reassured everyone that the dates are correct on the website calendar and to use that as our guide. He also apologized for any misspelled names in the newsletter and will work to ensure that future issues are more accurate.

Jon Speck reported for the rifle league. The rifle team continues to practice on Thursdays. Official practice begins on September 25<sup>th</sup>. A number of the group's members have been competing in local events. Jon reminded everyone about the "Squirrel Shoot" to take place the Sunday after Oktoberfest on October 19<sup>th</sup>. This information will be posted on the Southport as well as the WI-FORCE website.

Nick Kasemeotes reported that Oktoberfest is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, Oct 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. A flyer has been prepared and is be posted on the website. He is in need of range assistance. Several members present offered their help.

Bill Means reported that the Fall Rimfire League started this week and run for 12 weeks. A sign-up sheet will be posted in the clubhouse. Returning shooters will have priority for the time slots they had last fall. The fee is \$35 for members and \$100 for non-members.

Beau reported that the dates for the Fall Hunter Ed Program are posted on the website. The dates and program have been approved by the Wisconsin DNR.

Scott Lauder reported on the website issues stating that he has reviewed the entire site (25 pages) and has made updates. He encouraged all members to review the website and alert him of necessary changes or modifications. He also reported that the website calendar is current and up-to-date.

Scott reported that as an NRA Recruiter we have not had anyone use the website to renew their membership or signup friends and family. He also encouraged all members to use this site to renew their membership or to encourage friends and family to join the NRA.

Erik Lundquist is collecting money for the Southport tables at the Friends of the NRA Banquet to be held on Friday October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Table fees are \$150 which includes \$200 in door prize tickets. Erik informed Tom that he will be the Table Captain and will be responsible for distributing the tickets at the banquet for the Southport tables.

Tom reported that the weekly maintenance crew begins this week and will continue through the shooting season in early May.

#### Maintenance –Erik Lundquist

- Annual Maintenance Party was Saturday September 6<sup>th</sup> ~ 8:00AM – 5:00PM – Erik Lundquist recruited members to complete these tasks. Most tasks were completed; however, some remain. These are:
  - Paint Front Door – enamel to match siding
  - Paint north and south walls above bullet trap
  - Install threshold at back door (storage room)
  - Repair backstop plywood as needed
  - Replace furnace filters
  - Replace missing or significantly damaged ceiling tiles in range
  - Cover back vertical area of suspended bullet baffle.
  - Sealcoat porches at rental property (the tenant indicated that he would complete this task)
- Ken Normandy fabricated a box of target holder sticks. They are located on the shelf in the office area.

- Erik requested that he be allowed to purchase, with club money, three movable target holders to replace the ones currently taking up space in the kitchen area of the club house. His request was approved.
- Erik requested that we contract the furnace maintenance on the two furnaces in the clubhouse and range as well as in the rental property. After a brief discussion, Todd stated that he would get it done.

Rental – Tom for Tony DeFrate:

The furnace, water heater and sump pump may require replacement soon.

Two small projects remain:

- Sealcoat front and rear porches (see maintenance report above)
- Remove recyclable waste (the tenant indicated completed the task)

Old Business:

We have not had any inquiries about the BSA program.

Nick Kasemeotes reported that no additional club jackets have been ordered.

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

Siding Outside of Building has begun. Todd indicated that it should be completed within two weeks. There were two cost overruns identified:

1. The chosen color is a premium color and will cost approximately \$450 more than the original estimate. Todd has agreed to split the cost with the club. The cost change was approved by Tom Becker.
2. The trap support rods required replacement, after 50 year of use they rusted beyond use. Todd was given approval to replace them at an additional cost of \$600.

Bill Bock voiced concern that the rod nuts should be spot welded to prevent them from loosening. Todd assured everyone that that was unnecessary.

Ken Normandy is working with Bill Means to get targets available for purchase on the honor system similar to the food in the refrigerator. Ken will place a box with targets and a cash basket for use by members and guests.

New Business:

Bill Bock wanted to know how we would handle a minor (e.g., 16 year old) who might want to join one of the leagues. After a brief discussion of liability and our insurance coverage, it was decided that any minor must be accompanied by their legal guardian before shooting on the range.

Bill Bock wanted to know if we offered a Junior Membership which would allow grandchildren or minors to be able to shoot in the league. Bill was informed that all memberships are family memberships and any family member is allowed to shoot on the range; however, all minors must be accompanied and supervised by a legal guardian who is also a member. At this time we have no interest in offering Jr Memberships.

Announcements:

No announcements were brought to the meeting.

Closing:

Tom adjourned the meeting at 8:10 pm

Respectfully submitted:

Scott Lauder  
Secretary  
Southport Gun Club