

SOUTHPORT GUN CLUB, Inc.

Monthly Meeting

August 12, 2014

Attendance:

Tom Becker, Ken Normandy, Scott Lauder, Dora Potekin, Steve Close, Beau Bosovich and 17 regular members and 4 membership candidates.

Opening – Tom Becker:

Tom called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary's report –Scott Lauder:

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

Treasurer's report – Tom Becker for Bill Means:

We have a total balance of approximately \$13,000 and no debt. Monies were submitted from Steve Close for July dues received.

Membership report –Dora Potekin and Steve Close:

Steve reported we that have 83 regular members and 8 Senior Members for a total of 91 members. Twenty membership invoices notices are to go out and \$910 in dues have been collected. Work credits were reported and recorded.

Stuart Schwerdtfieger was at the meeting for his second reading. Stuart is sponsored by Brian Pelzer. Stuart is a Kenosha Deputy Sherriff. He was approved for membership via voice vote.

Philip Marry was at the meeting for his first 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. Philip was invited to return to the September meeting for his second reading.

Mike Walczak was at the meeting for his first 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. Mike was invited to return to the September meeting for his second reading.

Jason Wurtzinger was at the meeting for his first reading. Jason is sponsored by Todd Ogren. Jason is an auto technician by training and lives in Kenosha. Jason was invited to return to the September meeting for his second reading.

Communications – Tom Becker:

Steve Thurmond reported for the rifle league. The rifle team continues to practice on Thursdays. A number of the group's members have been competing in local events. Steve also presented information about the "Squirrel Shoot" to take place the Sunday after Oktoberfest on October 19th. This information will be posted on the Southport as well as the WI-FORCE website.

Nick Kasemeotes reported in an e-mail that Oktoberfest is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, Oct 17th and 18th. A flyer has been prepared and will be posted on the website. He is in need of range assistance.

Bill Means reported via email that the Fall Rimfire League will start September 6th 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. Bill will be in the Clubhouse on September 6th and 7th to register participants. 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.

Tom stated that we received a request for donations to the Kenosha Police Department Crime Prevention Unit. For any members interested in donating, the information is on the center table in the Clubhouse.

Scott Lauder reported on the website issues. He stated that he sent a snail mail to the members outlining the issues and requested that everyone set their email servers and programs to accept email from SouthportMasters.org. He also provided an update for the rationale for the domain name change. He requested that all new members be provided this information during their safety seminar.

Scott reported that we are now an NRA Recruiter. Members can renew their NRA Membership from our website by clicking on the Join NRA Eagle on the Home page or on the Members Only page. He also encouraged all members to use this site to renew their membership or to encourage friends and family to join the NRA. Becoming an NRA Recruiter will allow us to apply for NRA Gold Member Status as a club. Gold Member Clubs are given priority for NRA range development grants. Tom will apply for this status in January 2015 when applications become available.

Scott reported that the website has been updated and minor corrections were made to improve readability. Added to the Members Only section are copies of the club's Bylaws and the Operations and Safety Seminar. Scott reported that several new items have been added to the Sell or Swap section of the website and encouraged members to visit the site often.

Maintenance –Tom Becker reporting for Erik Lundquist

- Todd indicated that the glass block window repairs are completed. An invoice for \$150.00 was submitted to Tom to pass on to Bill Means.
- Tom reported that someone threw out all of the used 22 cal. targets. Used 22 cal. targets are to be re-used for center-fire league and practice. DO NOT THROW OUT ALL OF THE USED 22 CALIBER TARGETS.
- Annual ventilation system maintenance - Erik Lundquist reports that is he has completed the maintenance and documented the procedure for future reference.
- Front door sticking – Todd Ogren will examine this issue and get it fixed.
- Annual Maintenance Party – Saturday September 6th – 8:00AM – 5:00PM – Erik Lundquist will recruit members to complete these tasks
 - Damp wipe all overhead horizontal surfaces. (Beams, pipes, ledges, equipment, etc., throughout the building.

- Paint Front Door – enamel to match siding
- Power wash range walls inside – (Do not remove paint, just wash lead-laden dust down to the floor and mop up)
- Paint north and south walls above bullet trap
- Install threshold at back door (storage room)
- Wash all windows inside and out
- Wash both sides of Plexiglass baffles on the shooting line
- Repair backstop plywood as needed
- Replace furnace filters
- Perform all four “weekly” maintenance projects (as posted in storage room cupboard door)
- Replace missing or significantly damaged ceiling tiles in range
- Cover back vertical area of suspended bullet baffle.
- Additional projects as identified

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 (to be completed with September 6th maintenance party)
- Remove recyclable waste (the tenant indicated that he would do it)

Old Business:

We have not had any inquires about the BSA program.

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

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

Siding Outside of Building (originally discussed in Communications Section)

- Tom summarized the issue with tuck-pointing and painting the outside of the building. It has been determined that the building is structurally sound and tuck-pointing and painting would not improve the structure; however, the building requires sealing to minimize moisture getting inside of the cinder block joints. As an alternative to tuck-pointing and painting, the Executive Committee examined the possibility of wrapping the building in steel siding. Siding the building would also allow for the addition of insulation to help regulate the interior temperature.
- Two bids were obtained, one from the House of Rock for \$13,800 and one from Esquire Construction LTD for \$16,400.
- Paul Baumann moved that “we accept the House of Rock bid for the project.” The motion was seconded by Arlie Tucker. After a brief discussion supporting the concept of siding the building, Tom asked if there was any additional discussion, seeing none, he asked for a vote on the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
- The color combination chosen by the group is for the siding to be Ash Gray with white trim.

New Business:

Ken Normandy requested that a supply of targets for purchase be placed on the "Honor System" similar to the refreshments in the refrigerator. Ken will work with Bill Means to get the process in place as soon as possible.

Announcements:

The Friends of the NRA Banquet will be held at the Brat Stop on Friday October 3, 2014. Erik will be contacting us for a table.

The Wisconsin State Pistol Outdoor Championship will be held in Beloit on August 16 and 17, 2014.

Closing:

Tom adjourned the meeting at 8:25 pm

Respectfully submitted:

Scott Lauder
Secretary
Southport Gun Club