

SOUTHPORT GUN CLUB, Inc.

Monthly Meeting

May 13, 2014

Attendance:

Tom Becker, Ken Normandy, Scott Lauder, Steve Close, Dora Potekin, Nick Kasemeotes, Erik Lundquist, Lucas Stahl, Hershel Johnson, Beau Bosovich, 10 regular members and 5 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 from the April meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer's report – Tom Becker for Bill Means:

Due to Bill's absence, no treasurer's report was given. Tom reported that all income from Membership dues was deposited into the bank. He also reported that checks have been cut and delivered to the several members with outstanding invoices. All outstanding bills have been paid. The loan for the ventilation system has been paid off. The line of credit with Johnson Bank has been re-approved.

Membership report – Dora Potekin and Steve Close:

We have 83 general and 8 senior members for a total of 91 members. We have collected \$1360 in dues and 19 invoices have been sent out.

Daniel Lagvin was at the meeting for his first reading. Dusty lives in Kenosha and is a Kenosha Police Officer and is interested in Bullseye shooting. Daniel is sponsored by Clint McMaster and Ben Griffey. Daniel is willing to help around the range as needed. He was invited back to the June meeting for his second reading.

Doug Cochran was at the meeting for his first reading. Doug lives in Kenosha and is a past member of the club. Doug is sponsored by Nick Kasemeotes. Doug is willing to help around the range as needed. He was invited back to the June meeting for his second reading.

Robert Pezola, Sr. was at the meeting for his first reading. Robert lives in Skokie and is a part time two truck driver and is interested in getting back into Bullseye shooting. Robert is sponsored by Dora Potekin. Robert is willing to help around the range as needed. He was invited back to the June meeting for his second reading.

Ben Pahl was at the meeting for his first reading. Ben lives in Salem and is a financial advisor, he grew up hunting and fishing. Ben is sponsored by Arlie Tucker. Ben is willing to help around the range as needed. He was invited back to the June meeting for his second reading.

Larry Kohlman was at the meeting for his first reading. Larry lives in Naperville and is a ATT Salesman. He is interested in Bullseye shooting. He has computer and carpentry skills. Larry is sponsored by Ken Normandy. Daniel is willing to help around the range as needed. He was invited back to the June meeting for his second reading.

Communications – Tom Becker:

Clint McMaster reported for the rifle league. He stated that the rifle team will continue to practice throughout the spring and summer on Thursday evenings and Sunday mornings.

Nick Kasemeotes reported that we had 356 people signed up for the Wisconsin Indoor Pistol Championship held April 11-13. We collected \$1275 in fees, had approximately \$830 in expenses, netting approximately \$445 for the club. Dan Gutknecht was the overall winner; Reed Van Ness was the Wisconsin Champion and Jan Milukis was the women's champion

Nick also stated that he is starting to work on the Oktoberfest match. He will provide more details as they develop.

We received a letter from the NRA stating that we were not awarded the range improvement grant for the tuck-pointing.

Tom has requested that no one other than he bring in the mail from the mailbox. The NRA denial letter was originally sent in September, and we did not receive it probably due to too many people taking in the mail; Moving forward only Tom will be collecting the mail.

Tom said he will be attending the Wisconsin *FORCE* Range Seminar. The topic is how to successfully request grant money for range improvements. The seminar will be held on Wednesday, May 21st.

Ron Schaeffer reported that Boy Scout Troup 595 has cleaned the yard around the range as part of their community involvement effort.

Lucas Stahl will mow the yard around the rental property until we obtain a new tenant.

Scott Lauder reported that Comcast.net has deemed our domain (southportgunclub.org) to be SPAM. Scott is working with GoDaddy and Comcast to get this issue resolved. Scott has asked all members who use Comcast.net to mark our domain and not spam.

Dora Potekin invites all bullseye shooters to join her on Wednesday evenings for practice sessions throughout the off-season.

Maintenance – Tom Becker for Erik Lunquist

- Tuck pointing whole building inside and outside - Dave Christenson - quotation from Winkler's masonry, Inc. \$9,600.00. NRA Range Grant request was denied. We are seeking other funding for the project
- Glass block windows are cracking. Todd stated that it will cost \$20 per block to replace and fix the windows. Todd was given the OK to contract the work and send the invoice to Bill Means at the club.
- Annual ventilation system maintenance – Eric Lundquist reported that he will work with Dave Leicht to learn the procedure so he can complete the work as needed.
- The post office left a message stating that the mailbox is not "aligned" correctly with the other boxes along the road. Todd Ogren reported that this is completed.

- Lucas reported that he was able to repair the lawn mower. We will not need to purchase a new one at this time.
- Tom is looking for members to do a monthly cleaning this summer. We need four volunteers (one per month for 4 hours at a time). Joe Medina has agreed to take all four months.

Rental – Hershel Johnson:

- Hershel reported that he wants to step down as Rental Property Chair. He reported that Tony DeFrate is interested in the position. By a voice vote of the officers present, Tony is now the new chairperson for the Rental property.
- Hershel reported that we may have a couple who is interested in renting the property. He will work with Tony to follow up on this lead.
- The rental property rate has increased from \$700 per month to \$800 per month.
- The property requires some additional work before we can have a tenant move in:
 - Paint the inside of the back porch door - Joe Medina volunteered to do this project.
 - Paint the front door - Joe Medina volunteered to do this project.
 - Sealcoat the front and back porches
 - Remove recyclable waste - Todd Ogren agreed to handle this project.

Old Business:

We have not had any inquires about the BSA program.

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

Erik has installed a new refrigerator in the range. A jar will be placed in the clubhouse for members to place there "Honor" usage of the items used.

Chris Johnson has agreed to conduct additional Bullseye Clinics during the year. Dates will be posted on the Members Only pages of the website and emails will be sent to the membership once the dates have been secured. The next clinic is scheduled for Saturday, May 17th. Nick will contact Chris to setup the additional dates.

Todd Ogren will coordinate the annual fire inspections with Pleasant Prairie.

New Business:

Todd wants to hold a Basic Pistol class on June 21, 2014 and is requesting range use at that time. Scott will post the date on the website calendar.

Beau has requested three consecutive weekends in October to conduct Hunter Education sessions this fall. It was agreed that he could have the last weekend in September and the first two weekends in October. Beau will request these dates with the Wisconsin DNR. Scott will post the dates on the website calendar.

Nick stated that Oktober Fest will be held on October 24 and 25, 2014. Scott will post the dates on the website calendar.

Erik made a Point of "Good of the Order" stating that he is able to get bulk pricing on bullets and powder if we make a Southport Group order. He will look into pricing and bring it for discussion at the June Meeting.

Closing:

Tom adjourned the meeting at 8:17 pm

Respectfully submitted:

Scott Lauder
Secretary
Southport Gun Club