

SOUTHPORT GUN CLUB, Inc.

Monthly Meeting

April 12, 2016

Attendance:

Tom Becker, Ken Normandy, Bill Means, Scott Lauder, Dora Potekin, Tony DelFrate, Beau Bosovich, twelve regular members, and three candidates.

Opening – Tom Becker:

Tom called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. Tom introduced the officers to the guests.

Secretary's report – Scott Lauder:

Scott read the minutes for the March meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer's report – Bill Means:

Bill reported that we have a balance of approximately \$17,450 of which \$11,000 is liquid assets. We have approximately \$6,000 in committed obligations including property tax, insurance payments and parking lot resurfacing. The Johnson Bank line of credit has been extended for twelve months.

Membership report – Dora Potekin:

Dora reported that she is unable to give an update on membership, dues reminders or fees collected. She and Steve will give a full report at the May meeting.

Alaina Schmidt was at the meeting for her second reading. Alaina is sponsored by Jon Speck. She is an adult member of the Jr. Rifle Program and works for the USDA wild life services. She is willing to help around the range as necessary. Alaina is also the new tenant of the rental property. Alaina was approved for membership via voice vote.

William (Bill) Fumo was at the meeting for his first reading. Bill lives in Kenosha and is sponsored by Beau Bosovich. He is a long time shooter with over 25 years of experience and is also an NRA instructor. He is a CAD operator by profession. He is willing to help around the range as needed. Bill was invited to the May meeting for his second reading.

Edward Andrews was at the meeting for his first reading. Edward is sponsored by Dora and lives in Evanston IL. He is currently shooting with the rifle team. He is willing to help around the range as needed. Edward was invited to the May meeting for his second reading.

Communications – Tom Becker:

Dave Christenson reported on the Juniors Program. We have nine youth signed up for Saturdays for the program and two adults shooting with them. He indicated that attendance fluctuates due to schooling and other commitments the participants have. Dave and Jon are requesting that a portion of the May meeting be set aside as an awards program for the Juniors Program. Tom indicated that we will make that happen.

Dave also reported on a number of activities and projects that rifle team members in which rifle team members are engaged:

1. The team is engaged in three leagues, the Southeast League, Southwest League and the Mid-States Postal all of which are winding down.
2. The Southport team is currently leading in the Mid-States league 70-0.
3. The team is continuing to practice on Thursday evenings and Sunday mornings.

Bill Means reported that Winter two-gun league is winding up. Bill reminded everyone that the league banquet will be held on May 15th at the Birchwood Grill. All club members are invited. Please respond to Bill with an RSVP to ensure that there is enough food on hand.

Bill also reported that our CMP has been renewed for another year.

Tom Becker stated that the Spring newsletter will be published in May. He has asked that any information that is to be published be forwarded to him by the end of April.

Tom also reported that he will be holding a Cub Scout BB Gun Challenge on Tuesday, April 19th. The range will be closed from 5:00pm to 10:00pm for this event. Tom issued a request for two volunteers.

Maintenance –Todd Ogren was not present:

Tom assured everyone that with the ending of league shooting, Todd will get to the outstanding maintenance projects. Dave Christenson stated that the rifle team will be cleaning and power washing the range in May. Tom requested that they coordinate with Todd.

Status of Maintenance projects:

- OPEN PROJECTS
 - Power wash walls in range area
 - Paint range walls and floor
 - Replace furnace filters -- Todd will also coordinate with Southport heating for air handler maintenance.
 - Reseal range and clubhouse floors
 - Replace missing or damaged ceiling tiles
 - Cover back vertical area of suspended bullet baffle
 - Bill Means reported that Aaron and the parking lot contractor met at the range a week ago. The parking lot will be graded and finished when the in the near future now that the weather has cleared.
- Ken Normandy has repaired the pressure system on the target holders. He suggests replacing the air compressor as it is making noise. It was suggested that he first see if the pump can be replaced or repaired because the old tank may be better built than replacements. Ken will explore these suggestions.
- The well and septic system should be inspected and if necessary the pressure tank on the well replaced. Tony DeFrate will coordinate this project as well as have the septic tank at the rental property serviced.

Rental – Tony DelFrate:

Tony stated that we have a tenant; new member Alaina Schmidt moved in at the end of March.

Tony stated that the new windows have been installed except for the bathroom window. The bathroom window will be replaced this month

Tony stated that he will be purchasing and installing a new dehumidifier in the spring.

Old Business:

Scott Lauder reported that we have no new NRA sign-ups or renewals.

Bill reported that the NRA insurance has been updated to include that the firearms on the range property. Bill is exploring alternative insurance bids for the rental property and the range. He states that we are close to choosing a new company.

New Business:

Ken Normandy suggested that we post a check list on the inside of the building door. He said that he has come into the building and the range doors were left propped open and both furnaces were running. He indicated that a visible check list stated what should be closed and turned off might help remind members to ensure the doors are closed and the lights turned off. Tom indicated that he would make the list and post it.

Arlie Tucker wants to explore the possibility of a morning relay associated with each of the leagues. Bill Means indicated that we have done this in the past and would be willing to offer this for both the Fall and Winter Leagues.

Dave Christenson would like the Executive Committee to reopen the idea of getting IRS 501-3C status. The rifle team visited a range in Illinois that was able to obtain free ammunition and rifles from the Friends of the NRA because of this status. He will look into it further.

Dave also requested that we explore getting NRA Junior Affiliation status as this would open options for the Juniors Program. He will look into it further.

Announcements:

No Announcements.

Closing:

Tom adjourned the meeting at 7:55 pm

Respectfully submitted:

Scott Lauder
Secretary
Southport Gun Club