

## Great Falls Shooting Sports Complex

Annual Meeting, Jan. 8, 2013

Board members present: Dave Simpson, Jon Saxton, Tim Tucker, Paul Fischer, Stu Smith and John Sprague.

Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance to open the meeting.

Minutes from 2012 annual meeting were read, amended and approved.

Treasurer's report: For the year 2012, the shooting sports complex had total income of \$126,831.04 and total expenses of \$92,346.95 for a net income of \$34,484.09. Checking account currently is at \$36,080.87. Still waiting on last year's grain check from the tenant farmer.

### Committee Reports

Membership: John Sprague reported that at the start of 2013 the membership is 835 members. Breakdown is: 355 Missouri River Shooters Association members, 73 Sun River Skeet Club members, 129 Ed McGivern pistol club members, 3 Rattlesnake Butte Archers, 2 Black Horse Shootists, 216 undeclared members and 57 life or charter members.

Website: Stu Smith reported that the new site is up and running. There are still some problems but there is a new and better back-up system. The complex is sending out more announcements by email and wants to be sure members submit their email address. Information and events can be found on the calendar portion of the website. Also GFSSC has a Facebook page.

Grants: John Sprague said from grants received last year, work started last fall on the 1,000-yard range. Carriers for the 1,000-yard range will go up this spring. MRSA has put in for an NRA grant to buy AR-15/.22s for competitive shooting. Discussion followed on who writes the grants.

Range Officer: Dave Simpson said last year the NRA pistol class was the most popular, more than the rifle and shotgun class. Also there was an MRSA Toys for Tots program and an Open House Day. Four concealed weapons courses are scheduled soon. Paul Fischer gave an update on Project Appleseed rifle marksmanship clinics. The clinics focus on basic rifle marksmanship and storytelling about the Revolutionary War.

Concealed weapons courses upcoming; January's class is full, March is almost full. There is another course set for May. Cost of \$80 for GFSSC members and \$120 for nonmembers.

### Building and Construction:

MRSA – Digging four new pistol bays and maybe a new 100-yard range.

McGivern pistol – Has installed a handicap accessible ramp.

Correspondence: Lots of membership renewals recently and normal bills.

## Old Business

None.

## New Business

Rattlesnake Butte Archers club presentation: Dan Crawford gave a report on the new member club of GFSSC. The archery club was formed to fill the local void of no indoor range. The annual club meeting will be Feb. 11. There is an outdoor range now of five targets at the complex. Ranges are from 20 to 60 yards. The club will develop a Facebook page first, then a website.

Black Horse Shootists: Dave Farris gave a report on the new member club of GFSSC. Several cowboy action shooters wanted a range closer than the one between Simms and Augusta. The projected new range will be on the northwest side of the butte on the GFSSC. First they will need a road built, and then they can put up targets. They are in the process of building a website.

General complex questions followed: on target backer maintenance and road maintenance.

Motion to form a committee to look into complex road maintenance. Second. Passed. John Rosenbaum will head the committee and be the liaison with the Board.

Motion to form a committee to look into gun swaps at the complex. Second. Passed.

Discussion on where people can go to learn to shoot.

Elections: There are three openings. Candidates are: Jon Saxton and John Sprague for reelection. Jim Hawkins is not running for reelection.

Saxton, Sprague and Bill Cady were elected.

Motion to adjourn at 8:35 p.m.