

GFSSC Board of directors meeting, 4 Mar 2014

Called to order at 7:01 PM by Dave Sutton at the Amigo Lounge. As the secretary was unable to attend due to illness, Jon Saxton agreed to take notes.

Present were I could not find the attendance list I made, but here's my best shot – Dave Sutton, Gary Gillis, John Sprague, Dale Schaeffer, Bill Cady, Jon Saxton, Stu Smith, Dave & Judy Farris, Dave Simpson, Keith Head, Dan Crawford

We reviewed & corrected the minutes of the February meeting. We approved them after a motion from Bill was seconded by John Sprague.

Treasurer's report from John Sprague showed a balance of \$54,515.76.

Membership report from Stu Smith showed a total of 1042 members.

Website maintenance report from Stu:

- BoD members updated to reflect January's elections.

- BoD meeting minutes from 2007 to present are posted on-line and are searchable.

- Charlie Baker is looking for a local company / server to host the site and we hope to use their account to accept membership payments online.

- Stu is working on an online membership application form that can be filled out, printed and mailed in. This will increase the accuracy of names & addresses by eliminating handwriting / interpretation errors.

Grants: Nothing new submitted; BHS is working on a grant from FWP.

Safety & Education report from Dave Simpson. GFPD Officer Brian Dovson ran into and destroyed the main gate to SRSC / McGivern / LE area. There were no injuries and a report was filed with MHP. Brian is a GFSSC member and has offered to pay for the gate (along with his insurance).

Club reports

- SRSC – maintaining

- BHS – construction was proceeding but is now in a weather stoppage

- MRSA – soliciting bids for target carriers for the 1000 yard range

- RBA – weather delay / still working on plans for the indoor facility.

- McGivern – Garage door is installed along with plywood over the garage window. Last match at the indoor will be 15 March with a work day scheduled for 9 AM on 16 March to empty the building.

Correspondence – Safari Club requested a Life Membership be donated for their annual banquet. Jon Saxton pointed out that previous boards had set the precedence / pre-approved the donation of a Charter Membership for such instances. This was approved after a motion by Gary Gillis was seconded by Jon Saxton.

Newsletter – No report; Tim Tucker not present

Old Business:

Read and corrected the minutes from the December meeting after a motion from Bill was seconded by John Sprague

Re-addressed, corrected and reapproved the February minutes after an error was noticed. Motion from Gary was seconded by John Sprague.

Outhouse @ the 200 / 50 yard range was not re-anchored due to frozen ground.

After discussion the board approved a motion from Gary, seconded by Bill, for annual profit and loss statements from the member clubs to be delivered to the GFSSC BoD at the GFSSC March meeting. They will be kept on file by the GFSSC treasurer.

Jon Saxton reported that a table at the Malmstrom Community Fair was not available, but we are “on the list” for next year.

The question as to whether or not Tim Tucker’s email contained too much personal information was not resolved. Two persons present (Gary & Stu?) reported seeing different information in the email.

The “local organization” at Big Bear is 22 March. Several people said they should be able to work a table for GFSSC

Tim Tucker is reportedly willing to continue to pick up correspondence / mail / membership applications each week, but his wife is in the hospital at present. The BoD tabled the issue of a permanent position to be readdressed next month with a suggestion to formalize a backup plan for such occurrences.

The FAQ that Dave & Judy provided was approved to be placed on the website after a motion by Bill and a second from Gary. They will mail it to Stu.

New Business:

Gate replacement – We had a long discussion about the need to readdress / redesign the gates including using the 5 panel gates on hand and adding a chain as a temporary gate; we deferred action. Dale Schaeffer will try to get a recommendation from Williamson & / or another fence company. Gary will work on a solution for the temporary gate.

A question was raised (by Dave Sutton?) regarding the storm water permit for the BHS’s new range. Best Management Practices would have them submit the 20 page application prior to starting,

and it was suggested that the application is necessary before impacting over one acre. It was also pointed out that fines could run to \$25k. The contractor (Nick Geranius) feels that it's not urgent as runoff that may contain silt - but not much more - will drain onto farmland rather than into a ditch or stream (the primary concern). Nick intends to create an erosion barrier (or barriers) as part of the job.

A question was raised regarding the standing rules – does anyone have a copy?

Another question was raised regarding the intended use of the 130 yards of gravel purchased by the McGivern club. Stu stated that the intended uses are to gravel a path down the left of the range for maintenance vehicles; to expand the parking lot; and possibly to cover the area between the firing line and the 25 yard target line as they have been unable to get good ground cover to grow there.

Gary moved to adjourn at 8:16 PM; John Sprague seconded the motion which then passed.