

Eustis Gun Club
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Eustis Gun Club, Tavares FL
September 25, 2019

BOARD MEMEBERS PRESENT

President – Sonny Nowlon – Vice President – Bob Comerer - Treasurer – Rick Hansing – Secretary – Dawn Owen - Board Members – Bill Tweedle, George Opria, Gale Anspach

**Quorum is established

Guests –Marc Oulette, Sydney Chipchase, Maynard Wills, Jon Lewis, Kurt Schlicht

President Sonny Nowlon called the meeting to order 550pm

Minutes from the August Monthly Membership and BOD meetings had previously been emailed -- Motion to accept by Dawn, 2nd by Bob - approved

Membership numbers were presented – Info from Sydney/as of September 13, 2019– Presented by Sonny - motion to accept by Dawn, 2nd by Gale – approved

**1912 Annual members/290 spouse members – 124 Life members/13 Spouse Life members – 2339 total – 78

Probationary – Paid memberships – 1892

**comparison numbers from prior year are now being added to the agenda for reference purposes

Shooting Disciplines

1. IDPA –Kurt expressed concern about their upcoming large match on October 5th due to the pocket berm situation. Motion by Dawn to allow them to shoot without a back wall, if need be. Shotgun activities would either be cancelled or relocated to accommodate the IDPA match. 2nd by George - approved
2. 4H – Report given by Maynard – As of the new start of their year, September 1 – 11 kids are involved, maximum allowed will be 15. Thanks again given to the Board. After the meeting, Maynard had emailed asking for an email sent to membership reminding them about paying for drinks, they are not free. Sonny had an idea for a postage match; however, we no longer offer Air Rifle so it won't work. Due to the berm closures, 4H will reschedule their appreciation day for the Cowboys.
3. Shotgun – Report given by Marc - Shotgun Automation –RSO training to start ASAP. Marc will coordinate all training. A few maintenance issues are in progress and being addressed/handled once permits and scheduling are set.

Treasurer's report was presented by Rick Hansing—as of August 31, 2019 - Income- \$19318.00, Expenses- \$46109.75 - Total available funds were \$544910.96 including money markets. Detail report posted. Motion to accept by Dawn - 2nd by George - approved

Range Maintenance Report – presented by George Opria—Our third maintenance person, Carlos has been hired, he'll work 3 days per week. An order of lumber was made to be delivered, this saves our staff from having to buy and transport small quantities at a time. First diesel refill has been received. A new utility vehicle will be looked at, George to get quotes and present at the October BOD meeting. Clays loaded into the trap/skeet houses. Dirt being delivered to lower shotgun field. A prototype retractable target has been installed into Swamp Water, this will be modified as needed and can possibly help alleviate pocket berms overflow once rules are established. A garage door opener installed for maintenance. George looking at ways to protect the tree area on Berm 2. Mossy Oak presented a quote to do fence repairs – chain link fence issues – front gate changes. The quote was \$26320.00 – Tabled for now until a breakdown can be provided on each item. George to also look into the option of a Solar Gate for the Front Entrance.

Discussion about adding 2 additional targets to the 200-yard range. This has been a request from members during an informal survey taken. Motion made by George then modified by Sonny – Our maintenance team will be allowed to hang 2 additional targets for a 3-month trial, this will be relooked at during our December meeting. Motion to accept by Dawn - 2nd by Rick - approved with one opposed vote.

Range Usage Report – presented by Gale Anspach – Berms busier in the AM. An issue occurred with a member about using the brass catcher as to not leave brass on the pavement (safety issues). This will be addressed during the next RSO meeting to ensure all club rules as being followed on a consistent basis. Gale presented a list of proposed rules for use of Swamp Water for casual shooting/use of retractable target – Dawn to review. Motion to accept by Dawn - 2nd by Rick – approved

Unfinished/Old Business

1. Walls in Pocket Berms – Work has begun. Should be completed by the end of the September/first few days of October. George to ensure contractor supplies removed for the IDPA match.
2. Master Plan – Nothing new to report
3. Lead removal – we have not received funds yet, Rick to call again – needs to verify phone number with Sonny
4. Club elections – For January 2020, we do not anticipate online voting to be available. Dawn to get a PO Box number to receive mailed in ballots.
5. New database for Club Membership – Motion by Bob to allow Dawn to look into existing databases available and to get a quote for possibly a custom one. Deadline will be December BOD meeting, but Dawn hopes to have info in October. 2nd by George – Approved
6. Bylaw vote – Originally scheduled for October membership meeting – Dawn clarified that each vote will need to be counted and verified. She also reminded Sonny that discussion time needs to be allowed before the voted is actually taken. – Vote was moved to November meeting...incorrect wording sent to membership originally.

New Business

1. Club meetings – Sonny reminded the board that we are not allowed “private” meetings. Any meetings need to occur during our scheduled Board meetings or if several members are meeting, it needs to be clarified why. A member had commented that he felt things were being done secretly. It was determined that it was actually our Range Improvement committee and nothing else. Just a friendly reminder.
2. Request from a member to allow guests/invite locals to our Quarterly Swap Meetings. The entire Board is in agreement that this is NOT something in the best interest of EGC.
3. Sonny, Bob and our Attorney to attend a meeting with Loma Linda – this was requested by Loma Linda. Sonny will keep us in the loop.
4. Sea Cadets have requested use of the Grill at the range. They may use it but are responsible and Dawn will advise them that it might not be in a usable condition.
5. Club Elections – January 12 – Dawn will handle creating a form for interested members to complete and submit. She will also act as Nominating Committee to verify all info and coordinate bio postings, speaking at December meeting, etc.

Announcements

- **Next scheduled Board meeting –Wednesday, October 23, 2019 – 6pm**
- **Next General membership meeting– Sunday, October 13, 2019 – 1pm**

Motion to adjourn meeting 705pm

Report submitted by Dawn Owen – October 6, 2019