

Shirley Rod and Gun Club Minutes

5-9-2024

Call to order: 7:30pm

Members Present: 47

New Members (7)

Elizabeth Hughes; Ayer; Events, Grounds, Kitchen

Peter Hughes; Ayer, Grounds

Doug Pimental; Pepperell; Archery

Wes Fowlks; Boxborough; Events

Steven Kangos; Groton; Range

Jeff Young ; Harvard ; Kitchen

Henri Assaelin; Lowell; Range, Events, Grounds

Jim F gave the new member speech.

The range orientation will be tonight.

Secretary Report:

Craig C was out, Jim F. read it.

Report accepted as read.

Treasurer Report:

Jim W

Went over income and expenses for March 2024.

The report was accepted as read.

Communication and Bills:

Jim F

Shirley Meetinghouse Event Schedule

Correspondence from GOAL

Leigh

A Porta-Potty has been rented (behind the clubhouse). Cost is \$156/month and it will be cleaned once per week.

The sewer pipe in the ladies room was hopelessly clogged. We called Roto-Rooted and they got it flowing again.

Leigh welcomed our longest tenured member John Jonas (since 1977).

Archery:

The new Archery chair is Tristan Darby. There will be a porch shoot next Wednesday

Grounds:

Jeff M – Not present, no report.

Building:

Jeff A – Described the cleanout of the ladies toilet in detail

Kitchen:

Dan J

BBQ Chicken, Ribs, and Tips tonight. Chocolate cookies for dessert

Bar:

Craig C – Not present, no report

Ranges:

Pete – Ranges are A OK.

Fishing:

The Kids' Derby went great, with really good attendance. We'll move the start to 9:00 AM next year.

There are still plenty of fish in the pond. 3 fish per day limit.

Membership:

Mike T – 395 members plus 7 tonight. 155 still have not renewed

New Business:

Dan L – We need a new grill. Motion was made and accepted to spend \$1592.69 on a new Weber to be delivered on 5/11.

Jerry N – The Texas Star needs to be replaced, and the roof obstacle for the 3-gun shoot needs to be replaced. Motion was made and passed for \$575 for the roof.

Pin Shoot tomorrow (5/10). Jerry described how the pin shoot works. Cost is \$10

Buff – PCC Shoot Saturday (5/11). This will be a 2-gun shoot (PCC and centerfire pistol). Cost is \$25

Dave (Scout leader) - The Scouts would like to use the fish pond on Wednesday 5/15 for catch-and-release fishing.

The scouts will be having a camping trip to the Club the 2nd weekend in June

Jim F. - Reminded members about the Sportsman flea market/yard sale on June 30th . \$20 a table. Will send an email out to membership for first shot at tables. Only hunting, shooting, archery, and fishing gear only. Will be cash or venmo only. No firearms or anything that requires 4473. Let's try it out.

Jerry N – The bags on the archery range need to be replaced. Motion was made and accepted for \$640 to buy new bags.

Don O

Reminder – The Annual Sam Palmer fishing trip is Tuesday the 14th.

Old Business:

Joe - Reported on the successful BOW Turkey hunt. He'll be back in June to ask to use the Club for the fall BOW seminar.

Shiloh - Reported that the BOW event has been expanded to another location (Otis). They will model the program after the one in Shirley.

John - One trap house is in good shape and he's spent some time clearing the brush around it. Needs help taking down a few saplings still remaining.

Good and Welfare:

Don O - Stripers are arriving on Plum Island with a record number of Bluefish right behind them.

Adjourn:

Don O - Made motion to adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:28pm.