

North Peace Rod & Gun Club
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GENERAL MEETING

Date: September 26, 2011

Called to order at 7:00 pm, adjourned at 8:12 pm.

Attendance: Attached

Guests:

Chair: CT

Secretary: Vicki Nielsen

CT Worth chaired the meeting and thanked those attending for their time. There were 17 directors and members signed in for the meeting

Review of June 27, 2011 Minutes:

CT asked if there were any changes to the minutes of the June 27, 2011 General meeting. It was moved by Mike Nielsen and seconded by Joanne Wallace that the minutes be adopted as circulated. MOTION PASSED.

Old Business Arising from Previous Meetings:

Membership Cards and Reader:

Update Sept 26/11:

CT reported on Darren Thiel behalf that the cards and reader will be in place for the next membership year. He and Doug Gulevich will be getting together and finalizing the purchase of all equipment and goods required over the summer months. They will report further at the next meeting.

1. *Action Item: Provide a progress report at next meeting October 24, 2011.*

Purchasing of Land Adjacent to Range:

Jim Little has gone through his records and provided the club with information and a map so the club can explore its options of contacting the landowner for purchasing the property in question. Guy Lahaye reported that he had been in conversation with Rich Peterson and that Rich had suggested that the club should come up with a form request stating they wished to purchase the existing right of way, as well as a determined amount of land to be defined in the request. Guy Lahaye to continue on this project with Rich Peterson

Update Sept 26/11: Guy Lahaye reported project is ongoing.

2. *Action Item: Guy Lahaye and Rich Peterson to work further on this project over the summer and provide an update at next meeting October 24, 2011*

Clubhouse, Grounds and Office:

CT reported that in the spring, the landscaping around the clubhouse should be completed. CT requested a motion that he be able to get quotes to re-do the office in the trailer, and update the flooring, storage, etc. The motion was passed on Feb 28, 2011.

Follow-Up: It was determined that at this time the quote received to redo the office trailer was too high, and would be re-evaluated at a later date. The completion of the landscaping around the clubhouse was to be completed prior to the Oilman's Trap shoot, or over the summer.

Update Sept 26/11: CT reported that in view of the slight flooding that took place in the indoor range that the landscaping around the clubhouse would require some planning, and a machine and that this project should be conducting in the spring of 2012

3. *Action Item:* Landscaping to be reviewed at October 24 2011 meeting

Rod:

Steve Hewitt reported that the Kid's Learn to Fish that was sponsored by the club at Inga Lake was a huge success. There were 35 kids and the same amount of adults present, with 15 kids on a waiting list.

4. *Steve is to send a write up and pictures to Jerry to post on the website.*

Update Sept 26/11 – Steve to advise status at Oct.24/11 meeting

Pistol IDPA:

Wes Belland requested that a link be added to our site for the IDPA. Wes also requested that a Pistol Site be added to our Web-Site.

5. *Action Item:* Wes to send information to Gerry Paille to post on the web

Update Sept 26/11: Wes has not forwarded information for posting. Advise status at Oct 24/11 meeting.

Communication:

After a general discussion on the website, it was suggested that up dated pictures should be taken and uploaded onto the website for the club. Pictures of the downstairs range, outdoor big bore, outdoor pistol, trap, skeet and sporting clays, as well as the kitchen and clubhouse should be taken.

6. *Action Item:* Guy Lahaye will take the pictures and send to Gerry Paille to upload to the website.

Update: Sept 26/11 –Guy advises a better camera is required, pictures have not been taken. Advise status at Oct. 24/11 meeting. Jim Little has taken aerial photos of the club and forwarded to Gerry.

NEW BUSINESS:

Secretary Report: none

DIRECTOR REPORTS

Trap:

Dave Wallace reported that although wet, the Oilman's Trap Shoot had taken place and there may be some money for trap maintenance returned to the club for repairs to trap #4 and maintenance to trap #3.

- The 2012 PITA Traps Shoot has been booked for May 26-27, 2012.
- NO clays were ordered this year, and we were fortunate that we have enough in stock and did not have to order any. There are enough clays until spring at which time an order will be placed. Money has been allotted for this in the budget. Dave is looking into pricing between the 2 manufactures of clays at this time as we have experienced a large number of broken clays when ordering from Caldwell in the recent past.

Trap Maintenance:

Mike Nielsen reported that after the Oilman's trap shoot, repairs will be conducted to house #4, and #3. Prior to ordering the parts, he is waiting on the funds promised for this from the FSJ Oilman's.

BC Wildlife Management:

Jim Little reported he would address this item under New Business.

Rod:

No one present to give report.

Big Bore:

Wayne Carlson had nothing to report.

Pistol IDPA:

Wes Belland reported that Budd Phillips is talking about starting IPSC locally, and we would then be dropping IDPA. We have already allocated the \$200 to renew our IDPA affiliation in April 2012, but Wes proposes we reallocate that money to IPSC course or IPSC club affiliation.

Special Events:

No one present to give report.

Grounds & Building

Al mentioned we may have to add another sump pump in the clubhouse basement based on the concerns expressed by Guy about water in the pipes. Al did mention that he had cleaned out the underground pipe system and the water was not pooling at this time.

Indoor Pistol Range:

Guy reported that he would like to get the basement floor painted, and would address the possibility of opening the indoor range 2 evenings a week under new business.

Outdoor Pistol Range:

Guy reported that AR targets for the outdoor range had been installed, with donation labour, 22 stands are being repaired, and that a trial of AR500 targets on the rifle range on the bear and deer targets was taking place.

Sporting Clays and Skeet:

Al reported that wooden boxes had been placed on the sporting clay machines in the bush, and that they would not be moved to storage for the winter.

Jesper reported he had ordered more rabbit targets as they were out, and that they were going through more targets than anticipated. Jesper stated that the reason they were going through more "Rabbits" was because the numbers of shooter is up, This is not indicated in the sign in book for Skeet or Sporting Clays. After some discussion it was determined that he had not budgeted for this expense, he had not contacted anyone on the executive to get approval for this expense. The question was raised as to why the budgeting process had taken place, if it was not going to be adhered to.

Communications:

No one present to give report

NEW BUSINESS from AGENDA

1. It was requested that we review the hours of opening currently in place for the club by the Indoor/Outdoor Pistol Directory and the Archery Director:

Background:

At the Special Executive meeting held on August 15, 2011 the consensus was that whatever process was determined it must work within the Labour Board Guidelines, and the expectation of the club membership to the best of the executives' ability. Club hours were changed immediately to Hours of Operation:

September 2011, Open Monday, Tuesday and Friday from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm
Saturday and Sunday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

October 2011, Open Monday, Tuesday and Friday from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm

Saturday and Sunday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

November 2011, Open Monday, Tuesday and Friday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Saturday and Sunday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

December 2011, to be determined.

Further changes as warranted would be voted on by the membership.

There was discussion by those present, and after much discussion the following resulted:

- a. Mike Nielsen made the motion that “Under the responsibility of the Pistol Director, Effective October 1, 2011 until March 30, 2012 The Indoor Pistol Range be open on Tuesday Nights from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm for IDPA or IPSC shooting, and Thursday Nights from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm.as an Open Night for pistols and kids 22 rifle. The director would be responsible for all set up, signing in of members, clean up and matters associated with this range opening and would be responsible for range and clubhouse access during this time period. After discussion it was also determined that the directors Guy Lahaye and Wes Belland would make their contact numbers available to members to facilitate this opening. The motion was seconded by Guy Lahaye. MOTION PASSED.
 - b. Mike Nielsen made the motion that “Under the responsibility of the Achery Director, Effective October 1, 2011 until March 30, 2012 The Indoor Pistol Range be open on Monday Nights from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm and Wednesday Nights from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm.as an Open Nights for Archery. The director would be responsible for all set up, signing in of members, clean up and matters associated with this range opening and would be responsible for range and clubhouse access during this time period. After discussion it was also determined that the directors CT Worth/ or designate would make his contact numbers available to members to facilitate this opening. The motion was seconded by Guy Lahaye. MOTION PASSED.
 - c. These new hours and contact numbers will be posted on the web site and the sign at the entrance to the club.
2. **Budget long term – possible purchase of small tractor due to excessive use of quad.**
 - 2.1. To be looked at again in the spring after 2012 Fundraiser
 - 2.2. The club quad is being serviced and can be repaired but due to the volume of work experienced by the technician, the repair is not progressing as swiftly as first planned.
 3. **Get someone from Environment to update us on what is happening in the local office as they have shut the upstairs office for public enquiries and you now go through Frontcounter BC for information. Scott Fraser has also now left the ministry. We need to know how they are going to staff the local office.**
 - 3.1. Jim Little is to talk to Nick Baccante to determine his schedule and set up a Special Meeting for the Club in December 2011 if possible, at which time Pat Pimm could also attend.
 - 3.2. Rich Peterson mention that there is some talk at the BCWG level that they have heard that the Peace region will be possibly have a LEH Mule Deer Hunt next year. This to be checked out further to see if that is being proposed and why.
 4. **There is a budget committee going around the province on what government should spend in the coming year etc. and what priorities should be. The club should be at least sending a letter to the committee advising then that the ministry of environment requires to be funded at a higher level than it has been and that staff vacancies need to be filled.**
 - 4.1. It was moved by CT Worth and seconded by Guy Lahaye that Jim Little draft a letter on behalf of the club and bring Draft to the October meeting for review.

- 4.2. Jim Little will be forwarding the means to contact the Budget committee individually via email in the event anyone is interested in doing so due to the submissions due date of October 14, 2011
- 4.3. There is also a video conference at 9 am on October 5, 2011 for presentations, contact the Clerk's office at 1-877-428-8337 for further information
5. **There will be a Sporting Clays Shoot on June 8,9,10, 2012, which has been booked at the club.**
6. **Jesper reported that a couple of BC clubs were looking to hold an Annual Registered Sporting Clay Shoot on a rotating basis between the clubs, with each club involved supplying automatic machines for the shoot. This shoot would be held once per year, on a rotating basis within the clubs involved in an effort to increase the popularity of the sport.**
 - 6.1. The question was asked about transporting of the machines and possible damage and who would be liable. Jesper could not provide an answer.
 - 6.2. It was moved by Jesper that the NPR&G Club loan 2 automatic sporting clay machines once per year to this registered sporting clay shoot and that these machines would be under the direct care of a NPR&G sporting clay member attending the shoot for transportation to and from the shoot. Dave Bonar seconded the motion, MOTION PASSED.
7. **Joanne Wallace brought to the clubs attention that the next meeting was scheduled for October 31, 2011, and requested the date be changed to October 24, 2012. AGREED.**
8. **Al advised that the blade for the quad could no longer be repaired.**
 - 8.1. This item, although known about was not budgeted for. CT Worth made the motion to purchase a new frame and blade for the quad at a price of approx. \$698.00 plus taxes. Mike Nielsen seconded the motion, MOTION PASSED.
9. **CT Worth asked those present for any volunteers who may be interested in chairing and/or working on a Nominating Committee for the March 2012 Elections. CT indicated that there would be a lot of positions open on the executive, and he would like to give the membership ample time to locate and determine a list of individuals that would like to sit on the executive.**
 - 9.1. There was no volunteers from the floor, this item will be on the October 24, 2011 AGENDA
10. **There being no further items for the meeting**

Motion to Adjourn 8:12 pm

Moved by Joanne Wallace, seconded by Wayne Carlson, MOTION PASSED

Distribution of Minutes:

Current Directors and Executive

ACTION ITEMS

**North Peace Rod & Gun Club General Meeting
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Item	Description	Responsibility
	<u>Action Items Carried Forward from Past Meetings</u>	
1.	Membership and Card Reader: <i>Provide an update at Oct. 24/11 meeting</i>	D. Thiel, D. Gulevich
2.	Purchase of Adjacent Land: Guy Lahaye and Rich Peterson to work further on this project over the summer and provide an update at next meeting Oct. 24, 2011.	Guy Lahaye Rich Peterson
3.	The completion of the landscaping around the clubhouse now moved to spring for completion. Landscaping to be reviewed at Oct. 24, 2011 meeting.	CT
4.	Steve is to send a write up and pictures on the Kids Learn to Fish to Gerry to post on the website.	Steve Hewitt Gerry Paille
5.	Wes to send Pistol and IDPA information to Gerry Paille to post on the web	Wes Belland Gerry Paille
6	After a general discussion on the website, it was suggested that up dated pictures should be taken and uploaded onto the website for the club. Pictures of the downstairs range, outdoor big bore, outdoor pistol, tramp, skeet and sporting clays, as well as the kitchen and clubhouse should be taken. Guy Lahaye will take the pictures and send to Gerry Paille to upload to the website.	Guy Lahaye Gerry Paille
	<u>Action Items for NEW Business</u>	
1.c	New hours and contacts for Indoor Pistol Range and Archery to be posted on the web	Gerry Paille Directors
2.1	Look at purchase of small tractor in the spring	CT
3.1	Jim Little to set up meeting with Nick MacCante, Pat Pimm, and Club	Jim Little
3.2	Rich Peterson mention that there is some talk at the BCWG level that they have heard that the Peace region will be possibly have a LEH Mule Deer Hunt next year. This to be checked out further to see if that is being proposed and why.	Rich Peterson
4.1	Jim Little to draft letter to Environmental Budget committee	Jim Little
4.2	Jim Little will be forwarding the means to contact the Budget committee individually via email in the event anyone is interested in doing so due to the submissions due date of October 14, 2011	Jim Little
9.1	Nominating Committee to be Decided for March 2012 Elections	ALL