

**2024 ANNUAL ALL MEMBER FISH AND GAME CLUB MEETING
FEBRUARY 13TH, 6:30 P.M. LOWER LEVEL LIBRARY**

Call to order by President Ryan Forbes:

Introductions:

Reading of the Secretary's report, Quint Lohse:

Reading of the Treasurer's report, Greg Eichten:

Old business:

1. Surveillance system resolution.
2. CRP spring burn.
3. New trap range concrete project.

New business:

1. Donations, HS Trap (3rd year pledge), habitats, library, etc.
2. Mower maintenance, mow schedule.
3. Club clean up date. (target maker instructor needed)
4. Club HS Trap Scholarship application on web site.
5. Chatfield School board approves trap coaches.
6. Fire arms training 4-27, 8-1 P.M.
7. Miscellaneous.
8. Election of officers and board members.

Attending meeting: President Ryan Forbes, Vice President Tom Bush, Secretary Quint Lohse, Treasurer Greg Eichten, board members, Roger Richardson, Steve Prinsen, Steve Schmit, Tony Johnson, club members Lindsey Whalen and Daryl Meeker.

Ryan called the meeting to order and everyone introduced themselves.

Quint read the previous board meeting minutes from 11-14-23 and there were no corrections.

Greg told the group all club bills have been paid and the current club financials are: Checking-\$9533.11, savings-\$15,938.07, CD-\$4,500.00 for a total of \$29,971.15. The largest club bills continue to be the portable bathrooms and trash service. After some discussion it was decided to only have both bathrooms open and serviced during the High School trap season after which the unit by the club house will be closed. This will save the club over one-hundred dollars a month by keeping only the unit by the rifle range open all year.

Old business: After a couple years looking at various options for a new surveillance system it was decided that the club would order satellite internet service from an approved provider and attach a number of ring cameras to the system which would allow remote surveillance of the club grounds. Depending on the strength of the WI-FI signal from the system, a cell phone signal booster may also be required to improve cell phone service at the club. Ryan will contact the satellite provider and order the system if a proper signal is available at the clubs location.

The club is now a member of Prairie Smoke and we will contact them to see if they will put the club's CRP land on their burn schedule. Tom indicated he can mow a burn break around the area, Quint will contact them.

Quint got an update from Lanny Isensee after the meeting on the concrete work for the auxiliary 16 yard trap range. As mentioned in the board meeting from 6-28-23 this will allow two squads to shoot at the same time to take some of the load off the Pat-Trap range. Lanny was unable to get the cement work done last fall due to the cement contractors work load and weather, he will be contacting them soon to get this work done this year. All measurements will be per ATA (American Trap Association) guidelines. Coaches and board members will review before any work is done per Lanny. This bid, which last year was around \$6,600, will also include pouring a pad in front of the Pat-Trap doors to prevent ground heave. The cost will be shared between the club and Chatfield High School per Lanny.

New business: The club is ready to issue a check for the last year of our third year pledge of \$1500.00 to the High School Trap Team. Roger will contact Greg when the booster club is ready to receive the check. Habitat donations were discussed and Greg suggested we wait till the next board meeting to review our finances at that time. Greg will issue a check for \$100.00 to the Chatfield Library for using their conference room the past couple of years.

Steve Prinsen will again take care of the mower maintenance; Quint will make out the mow schedule. Reminder to all: **DON'T STAND ON THE MOWER DECK.**

The club clean up date will be 4-20 at 9 A.M. If anyone wants to make targets on this date, bring appropriate hand tools. All ranges will be closed during cleanup which will be done around 1 P.M.

Steve Prinsen reported that the updated High School Trap application is complete and is on the clubs web-site.

Changes to the 2024 High School Trap have been made and Lindsey was nice enough to summarize the following for us: The Chatfield High School Trap Team has been run through the Chatfield Public Schools Community Education program since it started in 2015. Starting in 2024 the CHS Trap Team will now be run through the Chatfield High School Activities program. Registration will be the same as any other high school activity offered by CHS. The fee for trap will now be \$150 per student and it also falls under the \$500 maximum per family cap. The school has also authorized each team member to receive one practice round per week. This is one round, targets and ammunition included free of charge that can be used on practice days. This is on a "use it or lose it" basis and cannot be carried forward to future practice dates. Additional practice rounds are encouraged but you will need to bring \$3.50 per round for targets and you must supply your own ammunition. The High School Trap schedule is attached, the rifle range will be closed during these times but the pistol and archery ranges will remain open to members. **NOTE: SHOOTING ON SUNDAYS WILL LAST UNTIL 9:30.**

Firearms training will be 4-27 from 8 A.M. till 1 P.M. at the club, all ranges will be closed during this time to club members.

The High School Trap Team was given permission to build an enclosed area in the SW corner of the old club house area to store their material. Greg mentioned he is still researching paying memberships via the club website and will have an update for us at the next board meeting.

Election of officers and board members were: President Ryan Forbes, Vice President Tom Bush, Treasurer Greg Eichten, Secretary Quint Lohse, board members Steve Prinsen one year remaining, Roger Richardson one year remaining, Tony Johnson elected for two years, Lindsey Whalen elected for two years to replace Steve Schmit. The group wishes to thank Steve Schmit for all the years and work he has put in for the club.

BE SURE TO CHECK THE CLUB WEBSITE BEFORE GOING TO THE CLUB FOR ANY ACTIVITIES THAT MAY IMPACT YOUR SHOOTING TIMES.

Minutes by Secretary Quint Lohse