

# Willow River Rod & Gun Club Membership Meeting Minutes

Thursday: \_\_\_ Jan. 11, 2024 Annual Meeting \_\_\_\_\_

I. Meeting called to order; Time: \_\_\_ 7:15am \_\_\_\_\_ By: \_\_\_\_\_ Chris \_\_\_\_\_

II. Attendees: Board Members: \_\_\_\_\_ All \_\_\_\_\_

Absent Board Member(s): \_\_\_\_\_ None \_\_\_\_\_

Guests: \_\_\_\_\_ 25 Members \_\_\_\_\_

III. Secretaries Report: Approved \_\_\_ X \_\_\_ Not Approved \_\_\_\_\_

IV. Treasurer's Report; Approved \_\_\_ X \_\_\_ Not approved \_\_\_\_\_

## V. Committee Reports:

- a) Archery: Brush league has 21 teams signed up at present. Kids night is Thursdays @ 5pm. The Club has 6 Genesis bows available for use. Kids shoot free with paid membership. Archer's looking to shoot indoors can shoot Friday-Monday, \$25.00 fee, paper targets on wall only (no 3D targets or crossbows) League members have access to the clubhouse with their key card.
- b) ARA (Am. Rim fire Assoc.) Waiting for update of days and shooting class's.
- c) Audit Committee:
- d) Education: Hunter Education Class's. Spring class on line. Fall class in house, location to be determined. All range time will be at WRRGC.
- e) Land Development: Construction of Pistol only range. Discussion has been on going with County Forester dealing with invasive species and Property Management.
- f) Long Range Planning: Upper trap house will need rebuilding. H/S Trap may have grants available for this project. Must be verified. Construction of Pistol range.
- g) Membership: 414 members as of 1-11-2024
- h) Nominating Committee: Question was asked for anyone interested in running for the board. No nominees were recorded. Sara C. and Ray L were re-elected to the Board. Current Board members will retain current positions.
- i) Public Relations: Friends of St. Croix County is looking to purchase more. A brief update on what they are offing to the public was given. There was objection to the group as well.
- j) Pistol/Small Bore Range: Up keep has been easier. Target backstops are complete and in the shed on range to be used as needed.
- k) Rifle Range: Rebuilding of bunkers should happen this spring. Work party needs to be established with date and volunteers. RR ties need to be moved from parking lot to range area along the back club road. White boards on top of berms have help significantly in controlling high shoots.
- l) Trap/High School Trap: 13 teams were reported with shooting May-September @ \$5.00 a round. Non club member are welcome to shoot at extra cost and signed waiver. H/S trap will shoot Mondays & Wednesdays beginning in March. Number of H/S shooters last season was 82. 24 went to State and 11 went to Nationals.

VI. Old Business: Security system discussed at the 2023 annual meeting has been tabled. Continued use of current cameras in and around the grounds will continue and seems to be working fine. A on line source will be established for apparel as other options proved to be too stringent.

VII. **New Business:** \*\*\*4H will be using the club ranges as follows; Archery Range May 5<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>. Small bore range June 15<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>. Lower Trap July 13<sup>th</sup>. Times will be 9am to 1pm. Pistol Range and Archery course will be closed. Rifle Range and Archery Range will be open. \*\*\*Pistol Range project was approved to begin with funds allocated for land preparation. New range will effect Archery course target #9. New location to be determined. \*\*\*DNR Lead Demonstration is looking for a place to host and teach. Discussion was had to do so at WRRGC. That is yet to be determined. \*\*\*Door prizes for annual meeting were provided by Midway USA and Russell Sport, Star Prairie and Sara Chase. 6 door prizes were issued as well as top prize of a Rifle from Russell Sports. Catering was provided by Ready Randy's in New Richmond. \*\*\*A reminder to all Club members to attend monthly meetings was given. The meetings are held at the WRRGC clubhouse the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of every month beginning at 7:00pm.

VIII. **Adjournment:** Time \_\_9:17pm\_\_