

**Minutes of the Club Member's Meeting**  
**January 6th, 2021**  
(Meeting held at the Catapult Building in Lakeland)

*Minutes of the LRPC Membership Meeting are submitted in "Draft Form Only" and shall not become part of the Club record until approval by the LRPC Membership at the next meeting.*

**Opening:** President Joe Ruth called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Attendance:** 19 Members, 4 Provisional Members, and 3 Guests were in attendance. A quorum of 5% of the membership was established.

**Minutes:** The Membership Minutes for the July 4th membership meeting were presented by Pres. Ruth for approval. With no amendments or corrections noted, a motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to approve the minutes.

**Membership:** The following provisional members were in attendance and were presented to the membership for induction: William Roth, Bruce Grathwohl, Mathew Rossney and John Stemple. Provisional members eligible for induction not in attendance were: James "Rex" Strickland, Chris Haygood, Gary Ragatz, Jeff Walker, Ted Floyd, Salvatore Internicola, Steven Malkowski, Ray Swilley, David Stuart, Douglas Bruns, Justin Carr, and, Herbert Nigg. Pres. Ruth commented that in light of the pandemic, the provisional members not in attendance should be considered eligible for induction under the hardship clause in our By Laws. A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to approve all for membership.

**Club's Business Reports:**

**Treasurer's Report:** Treas. Griffiths reviewed the Club's December 2020 Month End Financial Summary Report. The Wells Fargo credit cards were closed in July resulting in fully funding the Equipment Reserve account. The initial balance of this account is \$55,000.86. The Equipment Reserve account will be continuously funded by transferring \$2500 from each profitable gun show. In August, the Club received a \$9,765 CoVid driven forgivable loan from the SBA Payroll Protection Plan, and \$1,378.04 in a CoVid sick leave payroll tax credit. The firearm and ammo auction in September realized a profit of \$53,000. One Trustco Bank CD will not be rolled over, and will be temporarily deposited in the Range Checking account.

*The details of the Treasurer's Financial Summary reports are posted for Membership viewing at the Clubhouse.*

**Repairs, Maintenance and Planning:** The hardware for the Trap roofs has been purchased. A work party is scheduled for this Saturday to install the lights at the 5 Stand Range. Mike Pitsikoulis is offering his high reach to manage the work. It was agreed to pay Mike \$200 for the use of the equipment from the project funds. The project is coming in under budget.

**Gun Show:** Gun Show Chairman Josh Bolger reported that the table layout and human traffic flow strategy for the January show will be different from previous shows. Ticket sales, gun check and ticket check will be outside. Patrons will enter the show between Hanger A and B. This will give patrons the option of which hanger to see first and eliminate the typical initial traffic jam in Hanger A. The tables in Hanger A are mostly sold out. Hanger B is partially sold out.

**Advertising:** Treas. Griffiths reported that the advertising for the January show is arranged. A study of gun show attendance by patron zip codes has been conducted and will be used to focus advertising efforts and strategies in the future.

**Safety:** Safety Chair. Keefer reported that there was evidence that someone had been using a set of ear plugs suspended from a target frame on the 50yard Range as a target. This is in clear violation of our safety rules.

### **Shooting Reports:**

**Pistol:** Dir. Alan Keefer reported that the next match is scheduled for Jan 9<sup>th</sup> and will be a paper pin and silhouette match.

**Shotgun:** Dir. Gantz reported that \$5,827.00 in League fees were collected in 2020 and expenses totaled \$613.30. The net cash payable to the Club for 2020 was \$5,215.68.

**Rimfire Rifle Benchrest:** Pres. Ruth reported that the next Syversen Match is scheduled for Jan 23<sup>rd</sup>. The matches have realized a profit of \$300 since the beginning of the season in October.

**High Power Rifle and ARA:** Matches are suspended during the pandemic.

### **Youth Programs:**

**Jr. Programs:** VP Drake reported that the Advanced Junior Event on Jan 2<sup>nd</sup> was attended by 3 shooters. The Beginning Program later in the day was attended by 18 youngsters.

**Competitive JR. Program:** Dir. Grimes reported that one of the shooters in the program will be competing in the state matches in small bore and air rifle.

**Old Business:** Treas. Griffiths reported that 400 yards of fill dirt will be acquired for the Training Range project and general berm maintenance needs at the Club. There will be no cost for the dirt other than for transportation which is estimated to be \$2,500.

Sec. Thielen reported that notification of a By Laws amendment which was approved by the BOD in May will be communicated to the membership this month in preparation of a membership vote during the February meeting. The amendment addresses the installation of offices in the event the annual banquet is canceled due to a state, federal, or local emergency.

**New Business:** Members Ken Hill, Naomi Tillett, Robin Hill and Jim Wainwright volunteered to serve on the nominating committee.

Pres. Ruth requested a meeting of the nominating committee immediately after adjournment of the meeting.

The question was raised from the floor as to when the Club's no guest policy would be reconsidered. Pres. Ruth commented that the BOD is following the pandemic closely and will consider the matter once the trajectory of the pandemic improves and the governor begins relaxing control measures for Florida.

**Meeting Adjournment:** With no further topics introduced or agenda items to cover, Pres. Ruth entertained a motion, which was seconded, and unanimously approved to adjourn the Meeting at 7:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Thielen / Secretary

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