

Minutes
General Meeting
August 26, 2014

Vice-President Josh House called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. Officers present were Vice-President Josh House, Treasurer Stephanie House, and Secretary Wesley Morris. Members present as shown on sign in sheets.

Minutes – The meeting minutes for July were submitted for review. Wes Morris moved to approve the minutes with the correction of the officers present. Craig Johnson seconded the motion and it passed.

Treasurer's Report – Stephanie House was not able to present a written report, but gave a verbal report. She will present a written report for both July and August in September.

Membership – The current club membership figure is **297**.

Sunshine Report – Donny Pezer reported that long time club member Charlie Brown passed away. We will send a card to Fran and Terri.

Publicity – Wes Morris reported that he signed the club up for a few advertising deals with the Midway Driller. The cost was under \$50.

Trap Report – John Miller reported trap is going well. Tom Brown reported the new trap machine stand is ready to install.

Fireworks – Wes Morris reported that the sales tax is due at the end of the month and he will work with Stephanie House to get it paid. The complete financial report will be available next month.

Junior Pheasant Hunt – Tom Brown has been in touch with the landowner and unless we get some rain, it might be interesting where it ends up taking place. The newsletter this month has the pheasant hunt application in it. Tom also submitted a budget and Wes Morris stated he would use that to submit the grant application for this year.

Tom Brown introduced Vicky Monroe from the Department of Fish and Wildlife. She replaced Bill Asserson and Tom is very excited to be working closely with her.

Action Shooters – Wes Morris reported another good turn out this month. We will be shooting regular IDPA again next month. The program might have to buy some more 9mm ammo as they didn't take out a grant last year, but they have the money to do it.

.22 Action Shooters – Josh House reported that there were 17 people this month! There were a lot of youth and first time shooters.

Youth Trap – Nothing to report.

Legislative – Wes Morris reported that there are a lot of bills up for a vote this week and so if everyone can go to the Firearm Policy Coalition website, they can easily contact their legislators to vote no on these bills. The Calguns Foundation won their recent case against the 10 day cooling off period. Please continue to support those that support your rights!

Correspondence – Nothing to report.

Game and Cover – DFW Biologist Vicky Monroe reported that bears have been a huge problem. She is a major proponent of hunting as a wildlife management tool and hopes to work within the department to increase that tool.

Awards – Wes Morris reported that there is an updated list in the newsletter for the awards program with the exception of the late July range work party.

Committee Reports – Nothing to report.

Old Business – Wes Morris reported he looked at prices of stickers online today. He will move the TSC to top and www.taftsc.com to bottom and order some 3” stickers.

New Business – Wes Morris asked about the “comp” newsletters we send out to Mike Hatcher (we send one to his home address and PO Box), Kellie McDonald, Clay Miller, and Roger Miller. Wes will call Mike Hatcher and see which address he wants in there, we are going to leave the Millers in place for now. Tom Brown suggested we renew the comp advertiser for Melton Productions.

Wes Morris brought up the issue of changing the membership from an all-inclusive business membership to an advertising only fee. Some considerations were made and suggestions will be made and voted on at the next meeting in time for next year’s membership applications.

Josh House asked if we wanted to donate to the Maricopa Veteran’s Stand Down. Craig Johnson moved to donate \$500 to the Stand Down and Jimmy Chitwood seconded the motion. It passed.

Josh House brought to the club’s attention that someone had shot a rifle into the trap house while at the range. A discussion occurred about what we could do to improve safety and security at the range. Some short and long term solutions were discussed and will begin to be discussed.

Motion to adjourn by Karen Chitwood and seconded by Jimmy Chitwood. Meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.