

**Minutes**  
**General Meeting**  
**February 24, 2015**

Secretary Wesley Morris called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. Officers present were Treasurer Karen Chitwood & Secretary Wesley Morris (Billy White arrived at 6:39 PM and took over the duties of running the meeting). Members present as shown on sign in sheets.

**Minutes** – The meeting minutes for January were submitted for review. Craig Johnson moved to approve the minutes. John Miller seconded the motion and it passed.

**Treasurer's Report** – Karen Chitwood submitted her report from January 28 through February 24. Karen asked if the .22 Rimfire has an account or not. Wes Morris reported he doesn't think they have ever deposited money and he thinks Josh has it. Tom Brown moved to accept the treasurer's report and Chad Chitwood seconded the motion.

**Membership** – The current club membership figure is **229**. Wes Morris reported that the new membership cards will be on the March newsletter mailing label and the numbers are recovering quickly thanks to some e-mails he has sent out.

**Sunshine Report** – Sandy and Eric Ross just got out of surgery. The club wishes them fast healing.

**Publicity** – Nothing to report.

**Trap Report** – Jennifer Liljeroos said the last three trap shoots went well and they are making money. She asked if we can get a little update on the website about the new machine. Wes Morris said if she would get that to him, it wouldn't be a problem. Wes Morris asked if Melanie White is still running the youth trap on Saturdays, but no one seemed to know.

**Sporting Clay Shoot** – Tom Brown reported there was a good turn out and it did well. Tom asked if we could send a newsletter out to all of the team sponsors every month. Tom Brown moved to send a redacted newsletter without the gate combination to the sponsors every newsletter. Chad Chitwood seconded the motion and it passed. Tom reported he would have the final numbers of how the shoot went at the next meeting.

**Fireworks** – Nothing to report.

**Junior Pheasant Hunt** – Tom Brown reported the hunt will be held at the same place and he did buy six new bird boxes and they are much, much nicer.

**Taft Sport Shooters** – There were 27 people at the Tactical Shotgun match on January 31<sup>st</sup> and 25 shooters at the night match on February 21<sup>st</sup>. The Tournament of Champions will be Saturday April 18.

**.22 Action Shooters** – No one to report.

**Legislative** – Nothing to report.

**Correspondence** – The Taft High Trap Club sent us a thank you card for sponsoring them in the sporting clays shoot last weekend.

**Game and Cover** – Nothing to report.

**Awards** – Nothing to report.

**Committee Reports** – Nothing to report.

**Old Business** – Billy White installed the cameras and they are recording. Josh House has the signs and Wes Morris will see about getting them so we can install them.

Wes Morris reported that he couldn't find anything on the Carrizo Plains issue that Dr. Ross reported. Dr. Ross said he would get some information on it and deliver it.

Tom Brown reported that he received an estimate on fencing the rest of the range and it would cost \$8600 to refence the other three sides of the range. He would like to refer that to the board of directors. Wes Morris stated that he still thinks the board is not necessary to approve.

Mike Liljeroos asked about having some sort of ID system to identify members at the range. A card reader system was also discussed, but it would likely be too costly. Craig Johnson asked if there should be some sort of testing system to make sure people are knowledgeable and safe. Billy White mentioned that signage is a good first step. A small committee was formed to work on some new signage.

Chad Chitwood said there are pre-paid air card plans and he thinks that a 5 GB plan would be \$50.

Wes Morris reported the Constitution and By-Laws amendment announcement is in the newsletter.

**New Business** – Megan Maxwell spoke to the club about her mother Paulet passing away from pancreatic cancer last year. She is doing a fundraising run/walk on May 2 and wanted to let the club know about it. On Monday April 6 there will be a fundraising barbeque at OT Cookhouse.

Wes Morris reported there was a disruption in our phone system, but he should have it fixed. He will keep us updated.

Gary Morris asked about running electrical for the new voice activated trap system. Billy White will get with Gary and work that out.

Tom Brown wanted to know if the club would be interested in sponsoring the West Side Little League. Susan Brown moved to sponsor the WSSL for \$600 total.

Craig Johnson reported that it is scholarship time again and he wanted to know if we were wanting to do scholarships again. The Sporting Clay shoot went well enough that that is not going to be a problem. Steve Schmitz asked about naming our scholarships after some of the old time members that have passed away.

The Trout Pond is this weekend. We can use all of the help we could get. If you are interested in helping please contact Tom Brown.

Craig Johnson reminded us that Hal Parrent was quite the fisherman and he would like to add a perpetual trophy for fishing in Hal's name. Tom Brown would like to see a bass trophy in his name. Craig Johnson moved to make a Hal Parrent perpetual bass trophy and it was seconded Tom Brown seconded the motion. It passed.

Motion to adjourn by Karen Chitwood and seconded by Greg Brown. Meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.