

**Minutes  
General Meeting  
February 23, 2016**

President Jimmy Chitwood called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Officers present were President Jimmy Chitwood, Vice-President Billy White, Treasurer Karen Chitwood, & Secretary Sandy Ross. Members present can be found on the sign in sheet upon request.

**Minutes** – The meeting minutes for January were submitted for review. Sue Brown moved to approve the minutes and Karen Chitwood seconded the motion. It passed.

**Treasurer's Report** – Karen Chitwood submitted her report from January 26<sup>th</sup> through February 23<sup>rd</sup>. Wes Morris moved to approve the treasurer's report and John Miller seconded the motion. It was approved.

**Membership** – The current club membership figure is **373**.

**Sunshine Report** – Karen Chitwood sent a cards to Rhonda Blythe – knee surgery, Mike Liljeroos – elbow surgery and to the Grissom family for the loss of their loved one.

**Publicity** – Billy White sent the flyer to the Chamber of Commerce regarding our upcoming Sporting Clay Shoot Event to be displayed on their marquee for the town to see. Trout Pond information was sent to the Driller and Taft Independent newspaper.

**Correspondence** – President Josh Bryant of the Westside Little League Organization sent in a note of Thanks for our 2015 Sponsorship and was also in attendance to personally thank the Club.

**Trap Report** – Tom Moore reported everything is going well.

**Skeet Report** – Bob Morris (absent) reported 4 shooters showed up for the first Sunday event and tentatively the date will change to Wednesday's after daylight savings at 4pm – he also signed a new member.

**Sporting Clay Shoot** – Sandy Ross reported teams are still signing up. Need to start selling Gun and Safe Tickets as well as getting donations and raffle prizes. Greg Gill and Eric Ross will BBQ at the event. There will be a committee meeting March 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm at the Pizza Place to update and finalize details.

**Fireworks** – Karen talked to Jim Wilson and he said he will order 25% more this time. Billy Messinger (Greg Brown) still looking for a place to set up in the city.

**Junior Pheasant Hunt** – Tom Brown reported he has secured the same property as last year.

**Taft Sport Shooters** – Wes Morris reported they will resume shooting in March.

**.22 Action Shooters** – Jimmy Chitwood reported nothing to report as they will not start shooting until this coming Saturday

**Legislative** – It's getting worse and worse

**Game and Cover** – David Hardt has two April projects in progress – about 8 people are needed on 04/16/2016 to assist at the K167 Crocker Springs to pour a cement apron on the guzzler.

**2<sup>nd</sup> project** – 04/30/2016 – rebuild two fences – needing volunteers, should not take more than a day. Located behind 25 Hill – this needs to be done before cattle are moved in. Quail Forever has contacted David, he is going to write up and submit a proposal and propose they buy the material and TSC does the work. May or June schedule to be determined for the K78 and K108 Guzzlers.

**Committee Reports** – Nothing to report.

**Old Business** – Craig Johnson made a motion to fund scholarship \$2,500.00 each to JC Chitwood – Taft High School and Taft College –

**Second amendment** – be based on funds available.

**Third amendment** – Two additional \$500.00 scholarships outside of Taft area to be added, Bakersfield area etc. (must meet criteria of membership to qualify) - seconded by Billy White – all voted and passed.

Karen taking paperwork to Jack Leonard to get nonprofit status back.

**New Business** – -

Jimmy Chitwood has requested anyone who has keys to document it on a List he will provide at the next meeting.

Nominations for Life members: Dr. George Ross Jr., Theodore Enrique and Mike Berry – first motion Craig Johnson seconded by Eric Ross – all voted and passed.

Karen Chitwood – TSC purchased new laptop for secretary and it is to be paid for thru the General Fund – Craig Johnson made the motion and Greg Gill seconded the motion. Tom Brown opposed the motion, Karen to look into the books to verify who is paying the 10% tithing.

Change the By-Laws to list the Program Dues – change from Gross to Net regarding tithing 10% back to the General Fund. Billy White made the motion – Craig Johnson moved to approve and Karen Chitwood seconded the motion.

Billy White made the motion to support the Westside Little League team for \$425.00 which includes displaying our sign. Craig Johnson seconded the motion – all voted and passed.

Coleen Morris would like TSC to sponsor Taft High Trap Shooters Team on 04/20/16 at the Kern County Gun Club for the Tehachapi Search and Rescue \$300.00 entry fee – Tom Brown moved to approve, Sue Brown seconded – all voted and passed.

Coleen Morris – overflowing trash is obvious to the Tuesday night shooters – proposal made that down by the pistol bay a sign be put up suggesting people pick up after themselves and haul trash to dumpster. Billy White – motion to approve to make new sign and post for all other to see. Karen Chitwood seconded the motion – Board meeting will be called to discuss and decide how to better handle this.

Sandy Ross made a motion to support the Cub Scouts in behalf of Charles Lung – they need a range and a NRA Certified Instructor to complete their badges/awards for BB gun, Archery and Slingshot. Charles Lung will be at the March meeting and will update and answer any questions anyone has. Wes suggested a couple of TSC members get trained and he will look into Grants for NRA Range Master Training and bring this information back to the table for next meeting.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Billy White, seconded by Karen Chitwood. Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm