

## Izaak Walton League Board Meeting on 5/26/21

Meeting started at 6:30 pm at Countryside Pizza.

**BOD Members in attendance:** Jeremy Brown, John Gross, Butch Killen, Clyde Beebe, Gina Gardner, Carol Rozek, Melanee Ellis, Gary Laprocino, Phil Humbert, Jay Grimsley, Doug Smith, Eric Huggins, and Brad Frank. Visitors: Tim Amacher and Larry J. Butler.

### **Old Business:**

Memberships/Renewals: 569 members, three unprocessed renewals. 18 new people came to Orientation this past Saturday. So we have 590 members.

Bank Balance: \$62,620.72 as of yesterday.

Expenditures: Most of the steel shed is paid for.

Update on new shed project. Done. Looks great, safe too.

Update on Bay 5 shelter. Temporarily closed. Under construction.

Fix road. John should have a bid from Royal Flush by the end of this week. Jeremy will give John the phone number for McKenzie to get a second bid.

Youth shoots. John wants to pick dates toward end of June and July. Still a 2-gun shoot: pistol and rifle. It will be either the second or fourth Saturday, and it will be posted on the website.

Ladies Day. Maybe in early August. John will work on this.

Expanded Rifle Range. Butch circulated a photo of the proposed 500-yard range (8.33 acres). Novick wants to sell off 5-acre parcels. So the situation may still be delicate with Novick. Depending on the market value, we may want to purchase 10 acres. Jeremy will ask Novick whether he'll sell us the property we need. Tony Cooly, Butch's brother-in-law, who did the map work for us, will accept a membership at Izaak Walton for his work. Motion approved unanimously for his 2021 membership.

Surveillance. Tom Amacher noted there are six new cameras installed in the pistol bays, with capacity for 10. Still need to do one trench at the pistol range and one trench at the rifle range. This system works 24/7. Monitor is in the new steel shed. Wi-Fi is coming soon.

Donations. WHOA sent us a thank you letter. Melanee also appreciates our donation to her ferret rescue.

## **New Business**

We have a trailer with new tires and a rebuilt axle. We obtained a 500-gallon water tank for \$350.00. About \$1800 will be needed for the Bay 5 construction. Shelter for the two trailers: \$2500.

Picnic area (re-visited). Cleared out some brush. Need to put up a shelter so we can have barbecues.

Brad: Going forward, what are our wants and needs?

Jeremy asked for a volunteer to list what we've accomplished and what we still want to do. Brad stepped up to do this. Brad also recommended that we have a budget; it would make decisions a lot easier. Jeremy suggested we start with numbers from our Treasurer before we come up with a budget. Clyde will create a spreadsheet of income and expenses – going back at least three years -- by the next meeting.

With the surplus we've had in the bank over the last few years, we have money not only for range improvements and maintenance, but also for charitable donations.

It would be interesting to ask National what percentage is donated to conservation causes.

Small Side Shed (for some steel targets): Intended for people who paid \$25 to use those steel targets. Three targets were left out of 15 that were staged. Since EPS bought the steel, it's EPS's problem. The new large shed has a master key; EPS members do not have this key.

WiFi is needed for the range. Let's get some proposals. Lane Fi is coming out with fiber optics. If we can't get Lane Fi, contact Verizon. Melanee will start this project.

Blackberries. Deal with blackberries at the gate at every range cleanup day.

Meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm.

**Next meeting on Tuesday, June 22, 2021 at 6:30 pm. (Room will be reserved for 6:00 pm.)**