

## **HOMEDALE ROD AND GUN CLUB MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 2, 2023**

### **DALE TUSTISON OPENED THE MEETING AT 7:30 PM AT THE JADE GARDEN RESTAURANT**

Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

**Meeting Minutes:** Susan read the minutes. Minutes were moved, seconded and approved.

**Financials:** Bill read the Financials. They were accepted as read. Moved, seconded and approved.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Jim Sly wants to set up a meeting with the Range Committee. Dale said to talk to Susan to get everyone's information. Would like the committee to come up some inspiration for the range.

**Regarding Tractor:** We have been trying to find a tractor. Anything below \$12,000 would mean it would need to be worked on all the time. To get the smaller ones with all of the attachments gets really expensive. Currently have found 2 and are waiting for information. Clint found one in Twin Falls. It is a46 horse, has a bucket, box scraper, and bush hog mower for \$16K. Dale asked if the Club was okay with spending up to \$20,000. No one opposed.

**South Range:** Is not complete. If we set it up now it would be a temporary course. First we need to have the contractor come back to finish up the berms. We have a lot of fill behind the berm on the south ridge. The contractor will make it all one big course. Then we can have as an extensive hand gun course as we want. Right now it is useable, but with no amenities. Currently it only has a backstop.

For the 400-500 yard range do we want to put a wind break out there? That would be the west side and would restrict the wind. It won't affect the bullets, but it would make it more comfortable for the shooters.

**Targets:** We will get pricing for metal targets. Dale would like a solid bid before buying. He won't buy them until the Club decides and agrees. A member asked if MGM Targets, located in Caldwell are good? Dale said we will look into it.

**Range Committee:** Milton suggested that the Range Committee should be the ones looking into the above issues. It would take some of the weight off of Dale. Discussion followed.

**Dues:** Milton asked, since the Work Bonds were shut down, will we be increasing dues at the first of the year? Discussion followed. Ultimately Dale stated that it is up to the Club to make that decision, however he was against it. How much is it going to benefit us? More discussion about taxes, the IRS, loosing members, and those that can't afford to pay. If we need money we can do another assessment fee to cover it like we did for the well. It was agreed that no changes would be made.

**Board Members:** Steve Hoffman officially motioned and it was seconded that all officers are to keep their current positions.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

The acreage we have been trying to buy from BLM has been turned over to the State. This is a different process which involves the Idaho Department of Lands. So we won't be able to get the land for \$11.00 an acre. Not sure how it is going to come out.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The 50/50 Shoot has been suspended for the season.

Trap Shoot is on November 11<sup>th</sup> and will start at 10 am.

Terry announced he has one place available for the Range Safety class. A Range Safety Officer class has 3 seats available. He will also be starting up Rifle Training classes as well as basic Hand Gun classes.

There is a gun show at the Idaho Center on November 11 and 12.

**New Members:** New members were moved, seconded, and accepted to the Club. New Members need to go through orientation with Phil.

Raffle was won by Gary Soloman.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.