

National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association (NMLRA)

Meeting Minutes

June 8, 2018

I. Call to order

President Joe Hill called the Annual Budget Meeting of the National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association to order at 4:04 pm on June 8, 2018 in the Education Building.

II. Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation, and Special Messages

President Hill led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary Fleetwood gave the invocation.

President Hill recognized Mr. Foy to speak to the Board. Mr. Foy informed the Board that his wife, Vickie has responded positively to cancer treatment and is doing well.

President Hill recognized Ms. Waterman to address the Board. Ms. Waterman informed the Board that she had decided to resign as a member of the Board of Directors in order to care for and spend time with her mother. President Hill, along with the entirety of the Board, thanked Becky for her dedication and service to as a Director, Secretary, Vice-President, and President during her 8-year tenure on the NMLRA Board of Directors.

Secretary Fleetwood reluctantly accepted Ms. Waterman's resignation.

III. Adoption of the Agenda

Secretary Fleetwood made a motion to adopt the Agenda as presented, seconded by Mr. Foy. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. Roll call

Secretary Colton Fleetwood conducted a roll call. The following persons were present:

Board Members: President Joe Hill, Vice-President Brent Steele, Secretary Colton Fleetwood, Treasurer Mike Yazel, Parliamentarian Mike Luma, Adina Cloud, David DeLong, John "Digger" Kemple, Jeff Cunningham, Merle Crane, Michael Eder, Bill Foy, Alan Hoeweler, Marty Murphy, Mike Weissmann, Ted Blackwell, Alliey Nunn, Roger Spurgeon.

Absent: Karen Latta (unexcused), Dana Dore (excused), Andy Larson (excused), Rebecca Waterman (resigned).

Quorum Present.

Staff: None.

Guests: Ace & Thelma Hill, Katie Hill, Russ Reid, Bob & Tina Schlegel.

V. Approval of minutes from last meeting

** Treasurer Mike Yazel requested that the Agenda be suspended for the NMLRA Annual Audit presented by Curtis Krominaker, Pershing and Company. The Board consented. **

Secretary Fleetwood distributed the minutes from the last meeting.

Treasurer Yazel made a motion to go into Executive Session at 4:35 pm, seconded by Secretary Fleetwood. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board returned from Executive Session at 11:20 pm.

Secretary Fleetwood noted a few grammatical and formatting errors.

Mr. Eder requested that his issue discussed about camping be noted as being referred to the Camping Committee.

Mr. Blackwell requested “indefinitely” be struck from the end of the sentence about disbanding the Pittman-Robertson Committee.

Secretary Fleetwood struck the section under Unfinished Business as discussed in Executive Session.

Mr. Murphy made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected, seconded by Mr. Foy. Motion passed unanimously.

VI. Report of Officers/Committee Reports

a) **President**

President Hill informed the Board that Vice-President Steele was able to get the Indiana Dept. of Natural Resources (IN DNR) to the range to get their approval of potential future building projects on the range and well as the West Berm.

President Hill mentioned the amount of dirt that has been placed on the Walter Cline Range has exceeded the contracted agreement with Beatty Construction of 80,000 cubic yards. Beatty Construction has agreed to do needed excavation work in exchange for access to dump excessive fill.

President Hill has the contract from the ATT Cellular for the Service Tower. Vice-President Steele and Jim Tucker will review this contract before it is signed. It is expected to be completed by the 2019 Spring National Shoot.

President Hill noted that he has restructured our equipment leasing for our office equipment in order to save money.

President Hill presented the new Jacobson mower to the Board in the NMLRA Shop area.

President requested the Board make a decision on the future of the Western National Shoot, noting that staff labor was not expensed against the Shoot and hasn't for a number of year, unbeknownst by the Executive Committee. President Hill asked that it either be eliminated or cut excessive expenses (make it skinny).

Mr. Howeler made a motion to discontinue the Western National Shoot in its current format, seconded by Mr. Foy. Motion passed 16-1.

b) **Vice President**

Vice President Brent Steele continue on the Meeting with the IN DNR, adding specifications/requirements for new building as well as modified existing structured.

c) **Secretary**

Secretary Fleetwood presented the Board with the week's Powder Sales Schedule.

Secretary Fleetwood mentioned that he will be presenting a proposal for changes to the Gunsmithing Seminar at the September Board Meeting.

d) **Treasurer**

Treasurer Mike Yazel noted that the September Board meeting will be a pre-Budget Meeting with much of the discussion being about the financial state of the Association adding that all NMLRA program's will be under observation to ensure efficiency and profitability.

VII. Committee Reports

Mr. Cunningham will be assisting Ms. Latta on the NMLRA's camper washing policy.

Mr. Cunningham also urged the Board to promote the new Buck Knives Fundraiser.

VIII. Unfinished Business

Mr. Blackwell informed the Board that Morgan Construction will be doing a range assessment and quotes for a variety of potential range projects.

Harry Sparks will also be doing an architectural design plan for the new scoring room.

President Hill informed the Board that it is inappropriate for Board members to give directive to NMLRA employees without the approval of the President or another member of the Executive Committee.

President Hill also noted that if a Director disapproves of the President's or another member of the Executive Committee's performance, that discussion is only appropriate between those individual in private or in a meeting of the Board of Director, not in the presence of NMLRA Staff.

IX. New Business

President Hill noted that 5 individuals were sent certified mail notices requesting the removal of their campers for unpaid camping fees.

NMLRA Security Chief Booker gave the Board an update on improving safety awareness on the NMLRA Grounds.

Mr. Murphy informed the Board that David Pedersoli Co. has generously donated 3 single barrel shotguns for NMLRA Educational Training.

X. Adjournment

Mr. Hoeweler made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Murphy. Motion passed.

President Hill adjourned the meeting at 7:02 pm.

Minutes submitted by:

Colton Fleetwood, Secretary

Minutes approved by:

Joe Hill, President