



# CATAWBA VALLEY RIFLE & PISTOL CLUB

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## May 5, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by club president, Sam Birchfield. The April meeting minutes were read and approved. The April, 2016 Treasurer’s report was read and accepted. Balance brought forward was \$20,210.92, deposits were \$6,012.00 and disbursements for the month totaled \$2,565.84. Ending balance was \$23,657.08. Guests this month were: Thomas Chambers 4<sup>th</sup> meeting, Ken Hollar 5<sup>th</sup> meeting, and Tom Laney 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting. Thomas Chambers and Ken Hollar were voted into membership. Welcome gentlemen!

### Old Business:

- The Bush Hog mower has been repaired at a cost of \$200. Additionally, the fuel drum for the tractor has been filled and is located at the 200 yard line shed.
- The grass on the banks of the 300 yard line has been re-sown and the new berms on the pistol range have also been sown.
- John Grimes reported on the building insurance coverage. Our present carrier will only increase the coverage amount by 25%. Our current agency advised that no carriers within their system were willing to insure an indoor shooting range. Possible carriers were discussed including Lockton Affinity.
- John Grimes advised the membership that ALL members must complete a Walk-Around training prior to receiving their gate key at the June meeting. The only exceptions are valid medical reasons and must be arranged with Range Officer’s Tim Drum or Bob Metts.
- Gravel has not yet been applied to the pistol range parking area as additional excavation for parking expansion is planned. A committee of Randy Clark, Ronny Brown, and Bryan Miller will review and advise their recommendations regarding parking expansion at the pistol range at a future meeting.

### New Business

- The well which supplies water to the clubhouse is supplying muddy stained water. The City of Conover will provide and install a ¾” line and meter for the fee of \$2,250.00. The club will have to provide the connection from the meter to the clubhouse. The monthly water bill is expected to be approximately \$25.00 per month and will eliminate any future well-supplied water issues. A motion to forego any future well expenditures and hook up to City of Conover water was made, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and passed.
- It was also noted that a new toilet is needed in the women’s restroom.
- Ronny Brown advised the “dirt” well and the drilled well need to be filled to prevent any future issues. Motion was made and passed.
- Larry Cline (requesting for Keith Harper) requested and was granted the following dates for CCW training: Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup>. The Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> and June 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> dates were cancelled.
- Tom McReary discussed the possibility of acquiring a drink machine for the clubhouse. Due to the many events held at CVRPC in warm/hot weather, the access to cold beverages would likely be popular with the attendees and the membership. The pros and cons of a leased and serviced machine were discussed and the general consensus was that a club owned machine would be more feasible and practical. Mike Guiffe agreed to look into the cost of acquiring a machine for purchase.



- Randy Clark proposed the club rent a Port-a-John for use until the water service is restored. As many shooting events are now held at CVRPC, the access for members and participants to restrooms are needed. A motion was made and passed for the rental of two units.
- Harold Wilson advised the membership this would be his last year as Match Director for the benchrest matches and requests someone step up and take over these matches for the 2017 season.
- Bryan Miller advised several of our pine trees are dying due to possible disease and may need removal. Sam Birchfield requested the matter be tabled until he can contact a Forestry Service representative and discuss with them for advice and direction.
- Mike Guiffe initiated a discussion regarding the upper road to the 100 yard range and its possible elimination leaving a single access point to the 100 yard line. This would potentially eliminate safety issues with drivers entering the 200 and 300 yard line of fire. President Sam Birchfield requested a committee consisting of Bob Metts, Mike Guiffe, Bryan Miller, G.W. Northam, and Wayne Cothren look into this matter and provide a report at the July meeting. The current practice and usage of the gates, barrels and chain to block vehicle entry was discussed.
- Tim Drum advised the Men's and Women's restrooms are in need of remodeling.
- Tim Drum advised the membership that the current signage at the indoor range notes " 22 Rimfire Only". It was advised that new signs be made to convey that 22 Long rifle, Long, and Short may only be used. 22 WMR ammo may not be fired in the indoor range. The membership is advised that air guns may be used. A motion was made and passed to acquire new signage.
- Tim Drum advised the club has been without a landline phone for in excess of 1 year. Sam Birchfield will check with CenturyLink regarding a service drop.
- Steve Roe reminded the membership the .22 Tactical Steel Challenge (TSC) matches are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday each month April – October at the 200 yard line. Sign up begins at 9:30 AM.
- Randy Clark advised the April Cowboy Action shooting match will be held on Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at the pistol range.
- Bob Metts advised the 3-Gun match will be held Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM.
- Tim Drum advised the Rimfire Steel match will be held on Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:00 AM. NSSF rules will apply this season.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:31 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Roe

Secretary CVRPC