

**Silver City Trap & Skeet
Annual General Meeting
28 October 2018**

Meeting Start: 12:01PM

Members Present: George R, Bill C, Brian K, Don W, Dave L, Glenn S, Carl T, Rick M, Geoff S, Leo S, Willie T, John T, Grant S and Scott M. Brian K holding proxy votes from Al D, Ron R, Dick W and Ralph T

1. Minutes of 2017 AGM were accepted.
2. The President (Rick M) opened the meeting with a progress report on site preparations for the new range layout. There was some discussion about berm locations that were the result of following old plans and some miscommunication.
3. Funding, grants and donations were discussed. The club has received approximately \$45K from various sources, and additional applications for grants from the Central Kootenay Regional District and Columbia Basin Trust are being processed.
4. The President discussed the results of the Directors Meeting two weeks ago. They noted that membership had dropped to 33 members, and that this number of memberships did not cover costs at current rates. The Directors proposed increasing membership rates (including insurance) to \$40 for Seniors (80+) and Youths (16-), to \$85 for regular members and \$100 for Families (2 members + \$15 for each additional). The Directors also discussed future infrastructure projects, including electrical cabling, storage, shelter and outhouses.
5. Gravel was discussed. To date approximately \$9500 worth of gravel has been removed by West K. The value of this gravel has been offset by work done for the club by the West K excavator, but in the end the club should receive some amount of cash from West K.
6. The range construction budget was discussed. The club has about \$15-20K remaining in the current budget. The uncertainty over the amount is due to the charges invoiced for front end loader work. The President felt that the charges could be reduced with negotiation, which he will undertake.
7. Moving trap houses was discussed. A heavy crane will be required to complete the move. The determination as to whether to move the existing trap houses or build new ones will be made after the crane cost estimates are submitted.
8. Electrical supply to the new skeet and trap positions was discussed. There was discussion about the uncertainty surrounding which type of cable is suitable. It was decided to table this discussion until an electrical contractor has looked at the issue. Grant S offered the club the use of a portable generator. It was noted the club's generator and Grant's generator could run the skeet houses until a more permanent solution was agreed upon. Leo S suggested running cabling (cost approx \$300) between the two skeet houses soon, before too much work was done. It was moved (Brian K/Geoff) to accept Grant's offer of a generator, spend approx \$300 for buried cabling and run the trap houses on two generators in the interim. Motion carried.

9. The President noted that he had obtained a new insurance policy. The new policy costs \$2400 (\$1200 more than the previous policy), but it provides the club with more complete coverage and new replacement coverage. Several members objected to the President spending the extra money without consulting the Directors. The president indicated that he felt the insurance was an ongoing expense like the cost of electrical and so that it was within his jurisdiction to update the insurance. Given that there was a change in the amount insured, some members felt that club approval was needed. The President acknowledged the error.

10. Club membership fees for 2019 were discussed. It was moved (Glenn/Brian) to accept the Directors recommendations regarding membership fees. Motion carried. 2019 membership fees will be as follows (including insurance):

Youth (16 and under) - \$40

Senior (80 and over) - \$40

Regular Member - \$85

Family (two members) - \$100 (plus \$15 for each additional over two)

11. The Treasurer (George R) presented the annual financial report. It was noted that money in the Youth Account that had been spent on wireless controls should have been transferred to the general account over a year ago. It was also noted that membership was down to 33 members. This low membership is insufficient to sustain the club financially at current rates. It was moved (Geoff/Scott) to increase the costs of a 16 round shooting card from \$75 to \$80. Motion carried. Grant S noted that a lot of targets were wasted due to poor noise discipline that was triggering the voice activated circuits. All agreed that more attention was needed. The Treasurer informed the group that an expense ledger was now being kept in the office. All income and expenses should be noted down in the ledger. It was moved (Leo/Willie) to accept the financial report. Motion carried.

12. Construction of a shelter on the new range was briefly discussed. It was decided to postpone discussions on shelters and storage until after the new skeet and trap ranges were approved.

13. Snow removal was briefly discussed. It was decided that commercial snow removal for the new ranges would be too expensive, and that the club should just continue on its own with clearing the upper parking lot and paths to the temporary trap.

14. Seeding the exposed banks and berms was discussed. Bill noted that an application the Columbia Basin Trust had been made for funding re-seeding efforts. It was decided to postpone discussions until the results of the application were known.

15. The decision as to whether or not to purchase a radar gun for target speed assessment and launcher calibration was tabled until the next AGM.

16. A committee to design the new layout for sporting clays was formed. The committee will consist of Bill C, Ron R and Willie T.

17a. Brian moved and Willi seconded that members of the Silver City Trap Club are of the opinion that the Club be for shotgun sports only, i.e., trap, skeet and sporting clays using max 7.5 shot. The motion was carried 17 for and 2 opposed.

17b. It was moved (Brian/Glenn) to start procedures as early as practical in the new year to raise a Special Resolution to amend the club constitution to make the club shotgun only. Motion carried.

18. Don W. and Carl T. volunteered to update and maintain the club's online presence.
19. Eight club Directors were nominated and elected by acclimation. The eight new Directors are Ron R, Willie T, Geoff S, Carl T, Bill C, Glenn S, Rick M, and Brian K.
20. The newly elected Directors selected Rick M as President, Glenn S as Vice President. Don Webb declined to continue on as secretary and Bill C offered to step in. The directors accepted. George R accepted the Director's request to stay on as Treasurer.
21. Rick M thanked Don Webb for his tremendous service as secretary and the members in general for their hard work in developing the new range.
22. Meeting adjourned at 2:35PM