Redwood Falls Sportsmen's Club Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: May 28, 2025 Time: 7:00 PM Location: Redwood Falls American Legion

Present: Dale Cramer, Tom Morley, Steve Whittet, Larry Weidell, Marcel Krueger, Heather Koffler

Absent: Pete Weis

1. Treasurer's Report

- Checking: \$75,909
- **CD:** \$26,467
- Cash on Hand: \$639
- Total Funds: \$103,015

2. Membership Update

- Current Members (2025): 309
- Previous Year (2024): 458

3. Request for Funds

Steve reported that an organization previously applied for an LCMR grant to place lending fishing equipment by the lake but was denied. He directed them to present their proposal at a board meeting. The organizer, Parker, may be affiliated with the City, but this is unclear.

4. Pistol Bay Expansion

- Marcel contacted Mike Rasmussen, who planned to move equipment on May 27 but was delayed due to rain. Marcel will follow up on May 30 if he hasn't heard back.
- Charlie Schmellar has been clearing trees at the site.
- Concrete Work Estimates:
 - Larry: approx. \$1,000 for moving and concrete pillars.
 - Dylan Ulferts: \$1,200-\$5,000 including concrete work.
 - Mike Rasmussen may also be available to assist with the move.
- The board discussed preemptively pouring pads and shelters to minimize future concrete costs and yard charges. Rebar will be necessary if using floating slabs to reduce cracking risk.

5. Volunteers Needed

To maintain CRP eligibility, the club must remove trees from the property. A call for volunteers with loppers was issued.

6. Range Maintenance and Infrastructure

Transmission Line Strikes

- City of Redwood Electric reported further damage to the transmission line.
- Inspection revealed:
 - **100-yard range:** 3 strikes high, 2 low
 - **200/300-yard range:** 6 strikes high, 4 low

Monitoring Proposal

• Suggestion to use a trail camera (e.g., Tacticam) to monitor road activity and determine the origin of the strikes, as trajectory suggests they may not be from the range.

No Blue Sky Baffles

- Steve, Larry, and Brad visited Watertown, SD, to observe installed baffles:
 - Five baffles, each 7.5 ft high, extend out to 96 ft.
 - Baffle placements: 12 ft, 24 ft, 48 ft, and 96 ft from the firing line.
 - Constructed with T-bracket posts and 4 ft railroad ties.
- Bridge planking from Pete Uren may serve as a similar material.
- Shooting is primarily from benches; monitored events may permit alternate positions.

7. Bylaws and Board Structure

Board Member Tenure

Start Year
2003
2011
2010
2012
2019
2020
2021

- The club currently has 7 board members, though bylaws specify 6.
- Pete Weis will step down to bring the board into compliance.
- Three members have exceeded their 3-term limits: Larry, Steve, and Tom.
 - **Planned Resignations:** Larry and Steve at the 2026 Annual Meeting.
 - New elections will fill:
 - One **2-year term** (re-election in 2028 alongside Dale)
 - One **3-year term** (re-election in 2029)
 - Tom Morley will be allowed to complete his final term ending in 2027.
 - Heather's term ends in 2027, Dale's in 2028, Marcel's in 2029.
- Next Board Member Nominations: December Board Meeting.
- Special Membership Meeting to Vote on Bylaws:

Date: June 17, 2025 Time: 5:30 PM Location: RFSC Picnic Shelter

8. Thank Yous

Heather will draft a Thank You message using the sponsor list provided by Dale and share it with Larry and Dale.

Sponsors List:

- Nelson Towing
- Dave's Appliance
- Brad Prahl
- RVAA
- VFW
- Dan Gegner
- Mike Smith MN Valley Agency
- Lamberton Agency
- Gene & Jeannie Malecha
- Runnings
- Napa
- Auto Value
- Olson Chevy
- Wheelborg Ford
- JJ Jewelers
- Pheasants Forever Redwood County
- Jim Zollner
- Scott Goodyear Goodyear Upholstery
- Legacy Financial
- Ricky J Car Wash
- RBC
- Electric Motor