

**Birchwood Recreation & Shooting Park (BRSP)
Friends of BRSP
(Combined) Minutes
Board of Directors (BOD) Meeting
Monday, January 8, 2018**

Meeting start: 18:40 hrs (R/P Range house))

BOD members present: Dave Kaiser (Pres), Ed Jackson (VP), Dave Arieno (Sec), Ben Olsen, John Barnes, Richard Bolender, Scott Henderson

Excused: None

Members/Guests: Dennis Geary, Tim Verrett

BRSP Managers/ Employees Attending: Jim McCormick, Dale Andrews

BRSP Accountant/ Ex Officio Treasurer: Mike Hanrahan

Approval of Minutes from November 27, 2017 BOD meeting: Motion to approve minutes as presented, by Olsen, seconded by Henderson, accepted on vote

Guest and or Member issues:

- Tim Verrett had questions on new budget. How did we come up with the numbers, and how did the budget committee confirm costs? Budget committee members Barnes and Henderson explained the process and how they verified same. Both Mr. Verrett, and Mr. Geary volunteered to assist with further budget issues.
- Dennis Geary spoke on issues with possible sale of Birchwood Airport to Eklutna Corporation. He felt that any sale would be contingent on legal issues that need to be ironed out, and would take several years to work out, if at all. He felt even if a sale was to occur, it would have little impact on BRSP operations, considering MOA just completed the adjacent APD Range at a cost of several million dollars. He volunteered to keep an eye on the process and apprise the BOD as developments occur.

BRSP Financials (Mike Hanrahan):

- Motion to approve financials by Henderson, seconded by Olsen, and accepted on vote.

FO/BRSP Financials (Mike Hanrahan):

- BRSP still owed \$32,321 by “Bunker trap committee” These funds were loaned to complete bunker trap. Fundraising efforts to repay BRSP are underway by Lori Davey.
- Motion to approve FO/BRSP financials by Henderson, seconded by Olsen, accepted on vote.

Operations Report

Shotgun:

- Shotgun leagues- 34 teams have signed up for Spring Leagues as of 01/01/18
- League participants have been made aware there will be price increases
- Kendall Ford expressed interest in a BRSP sponsorship.
- Bunker trap- Minor electrical glitch repairs and hopefully promatic card readers soon to follow.

Rifle/Pistol:

- Adult leagues- 66 Shooters participating
- Beginners League- 22 new shooters!
- Weekend range rentals are in extremely high demand. Dale Andrews suggested incentives to increase week day range rentals and redirect some of that traffic to weekdays. Specifically a 25% discount. BOD gave him authority to do so.
- Dale Andrews suggested BRSP implement “Pay for use” for the electric radiant range heaters to lower our electric bill. Motion was made by Jackson to implement, seconded by Henderson, and approved on vote.

Archery:

- Participation in open and league shooting continues to increase-- six teams to date.
- Two archery competitions have been scheduled. (One in January, and another for February)

Landfill:

- Alaska Railroad contacted BRSP to dispose of more railroad ties. ARR will pay BRSP \$1K per load. However, none have been dropped off as of 11/06/17.

Overall Range related:

- Facility wide computer upgrades are progressing slowly, due to software compatibility and licensing issues.

***Unfinished Business:**

- None

***Committees**

- Record Retention Policy and Savings Investment Policy- (Nothing new to report)
- Bunker Trap Committee update – the bunker is in use, minor details to complete are in work (Promatic, etc.).
- Budget & Planning Committee- Final recommendations presented after approval during the 01/06/2018 BOD meeting.
- “Gate & Access” committee- Gate control software needs upgrade, ASAP.
- Personnel committee- Nothing new to report

***New Business:**

- A proposal was made by Targets USA to construct a manufacturing facility on BRSP grounds. Discussion and research appears to show this would be legally prohibited due to BLM and Non-profit restrictions. BOD respectfully declined the proposal.
- BOD was made aware that Midnight Sun Firearms Exhibition (MSFE) promoters had reserved four ranges (A-D) for 5-6 May, 2018 using email reservation system in December 2017, and had paid 50% up front for same. Given the issues from last year’s MSFE event, (MSFE had rented all but a small portion of the range complex for an entire weekend in 2017), the BOD expected a presentation requesting BOD consideration to hold this event again in 2018. Aware of the 2017 MSFE event issues, R/P manager brought the reservation request to BRSP Manager, who approved it. BOD decided that since BRSP general manager had accepted the reservation and funds for same, we had no choice but to let it stand.

Director Bolender made a motion to cancel the MSFE reservation and refund the fees. Barnes seconded. Upon vote, motion was not carried. Director Bolender was the sole vote for cancellation;

Meeting Adjourned at 21:32

Next BOD Meeting: Monday, January 29, 2018 @ 6:30PM, Location TBD

For the good of the order,

David Arieno, Board Secretary, BRSP, & FoBRSP