

Morristown Gun Club Meeting Minutes

Date: 4/7/2025

Time: 7:00pm to 8:08pm

1. Call to order by Facilitator

- a. Jim M. at 7:00pm

2. Attendance:

- a. Jim M, Britnee, Pam, Jared, Dave A., Troy, James L., Mark, Rick, Bob L., Tom, Molly, Tyson, Addie, Randy, Tim M., Doug, Tim L., Bob Q.

3. Approval of Minutes from March 2025:

- a. Motion by Dave A.; Second by Bob Q.; Minutes Approved, Motion Carried

4. Treasurer's Report:

- a. Income and expense report reviewed.
- b. Cash balance reviewed.
- c. There has been a significant amount of revenue lost from birds, roughly \$6000 lost. There seems to be more birds being broken and some throwers throwing doubles. House 2 seems to be throwing doubles more often. Please keep watch of this. We are trying to see how the birds are being lost which is one of the reasons why we are keeping a better track with counting them.
- d. Motion to approve report by Britnee; Second by Molly; Report Approved, Motion Carried

5. Old Business:

- a. Firearm Safety Field Day had a total of 94 kids become certified on March 22nd.
 - i. There will be a fall class in September 2025.
- b. Schools need to continue to count birds before and after your times. Be mindful at the end of school times as well. Make sure there are boxes of birds in each house that it used. Clean up any broken birds and empty barrels when finished.

6. New Business:

- a. New cooler for the club purchased. Please make sure to turn the light off in the cooler after each day.
- b. Box cutters have been placed on strings in each house to be able to open the boxes of birds in each house.
- c. House 3 seems to be having a lot more birds broken when throwing. There can be many different reasons for this to be happening.
 - i. Make sure to treat each box of birds appropriately and not throw them around to cause the birds to break.
 - ii. When stacking birds in the rack of the thrower, some may be sticking together. Try to shimmy them to make sure they are not sticking together.
- d. Make sure the black heavy duty bags are getting placed in the barrels for shells. They have been getting holes in them
- e. There seems to be a leak in the shed where water has got into the shed and a couple boxes got wet. Talked about getting sealant to put on the roof to prevent leaking anymore.
- f. Would like to get some steps placed on the hill on house 3. When it is wet and muddy, it makes it more difficult to walk into the house.
 - i. One of the families stated they would be willing to do the steps and figure out a time to complete this.
- g. Discussion about getting some crushed rock around houses for loading. Will help with the mud when loading each house. Will need to figure out the cost to be able to do this.
 - i. Tabled discussion until next meeting.

- h. The LP tank was never filled up. They informed us that it was filled but never was. Mike will reach out to them to see what is going on with that.
- i. Shooters roundup will be here before we know it. Sign up sheets have been sent out already. Discussion on if we will sign up again this year. It was agreed by all that we will sign up, but need to make sure we will have volunteers to work.
- j. Schools Prom - Faribault prom committee reached out about donations for their after prom party. Previous years we have sent all schools a couple rounds of shooting. Discussion about doing the same as last year.
 - i. Last we gave 5 punch cards of 2 rounds and 2 punch cards of 10 rounds.
 - ii. Randy motion to do the same as last year; Doug second; Motion carried.
- k. New door lock was placed on the front door. Board members and coaches have been given a code specific to them to be able to open that door.
- l. There will be a family graduation party taking place at the club on May 31.
- m. There was a question about using the club for a "work shoot" by one of the board members on May 16th. Members agreed this would be fine as long as someone who is a member of the club is present.
- n. Discussion on Grants:
 - i. DNR Grant: Mike is waiting for a response from them.
 - ii. Midway: Troy submitted the application. This is a competitive grant. Would use this to replace houses. Should hopefully hear something in June.
- o. New carpeting in the club house was brought up for discussion. We need to figure out what kind of carpet would be good to purchase and what the cost of that would be. Indoor/outdoor carpet would most likely be the best option. Tabled discussion.
- p. Volunteers were selected for open days until the next meeting.
- q. Club and High School will not be shooting on April 20th due to being Easter.

7. Raffle Winners:

- a. Troy
- b. Randy

8. Next Meeting:

- a. Monday, May 5th, 2025 at 7:00pm

9. Adjournment:

- a. Motion to adjourn by Dave A. at 8:08pm; Second by Mike A. Motion Carried.