



Alaska Rifle Club Feb 4, 2022 Annual Meeting Minutes.

Location: Pizza Man, Eagle River

18:30 The annual Alaska rifle club meeting was called order by ARC President and acting meeting chairman Tim Silvers

18:33 Chairman declares a quorum of members in attendance. 35 in attendance. Noted apologies for Director Dave Allen and Vice President Mark Burch unable to attend.

18:34 Reviewed last year's annual meeting minutes and vote passed to approve them without further discussion.

18:38 President's report – Tim Silvers.

Tim talked about PayPal and using it to renew membership next year and get away from the mailings. Discussed PayPal and re-incorporating club. Got new EIN number from IRS. We are now a nonprofit corporation with the state of Alaska. Our next step is filing a tax-exempt application with the IRS this year to become a 501(c)7 tax exempt organization and paying a onetime fee of \$600.

Also discussed was closing of the heated storage unit. It will save the club \$600 a year and the club plans on selling all the rifles and ammo. Also discussed was the club supporting youth shooting clubs.

It was brought up once the club gets a 501(c)7 club is now eligible for governor tags. Tim also discussed the club bought another shot marker and there will be no more pit duty at JBER. He also discussed Alaska rifle club partnering with Birchwood Shooting Park and doing different shooting disciplines. Proceeds from these events will be split with ARC no longer renting ranges from Birchwood.

NRA sanctioned rifle matches would be run as a league this year, with scores for classification submitted at the end of the season. Estimated savings of \$200 in NRA fees.

18:46 A motion to recess passed to serve pizza.

18:55 Treasurer's Report - Russ Umeki. Discussed last year's finances 2021.

18:58 Tim Silvers mentioned for 2022 the club's major expense will be donating money to youth rifle clubs.

19:01 Match directors are now giving their brief from last year's matches. Somerset Jones match director for bang and clang/Schuetzen matches-discussing money brought in and shooters brought in, this year's league there will be different categories for Schuetzen.

19:05 Dave Allen was not present so Tim Silvers briefed his part. Dave ran leagues (Bullseye pistol, highpower, rimfire silhouette) at Birchwood last year. This year matches at Birchwood will use shot markers for the May and June matches. Dave will run several other co-sponsored matches at Birchwood one Monday a month with different rifle disciplines each time. Dave will continue Bullseye pistol matches at Mat Valley Sportsmans.

19:07 Russ Umeki talked about high power and the 3 matches that were canceled last year of 4 scheduled at Pedneau. We were able to hold one full distance EIC there and rescheduled

one match to MVS range. This year the hi-power matches will be held Friday evenings at Pedneau range, with the last being a CMP service rifle EIC match.

19:15 Tim Silvers talked about the mid range and long range matches. Alaska rifle club might have one match at Delta Junction for the 800 900, 1000 yard. There are two matches scheduled for the 1000 yard range in Talkeetna. Last year they were 17 shooters for the 1000yd match; hopefully we draw more shooters this year. The midrange matches last year drew 130+ shooters and brought in \$2,189 after expenses.

19:20 voting for the club officers took place. All positions ran unopposed and were voted in by members present. Results are as follows: President - Tim Silvers. Vice President - Mark Burch. Treasurer - Russ Umeki. Secretary - John Winsor. Director - Don Wagar. Director - Darrin Hansen.

19:26 Discussed the sales of the club firearms. One member offered a contact who sells on gunbroker. Beef Myers, offered to do the FFL transfers fees for free at his shop, Freedoms Armory in Wasilla. Other gun shops were contacted about transfer fees and they range from \$25 and up.

19:45 Chris Tomsen motioned that four rifles be held (three M1's and one other rifle) and not sold until after D-day. Motion was seconded by Eric McCabe. Chris Tomsen's reasoning is to give the soldiers and veterans a chance to buy them. This motion was put to vote before the club members there were four yeas and 15 nos. Motion was voted down. Prices were discussed for the rifles, the M1's and the AR's and M 12s. Majority agreed with the prices. Also discussed was a sale of the gun safe.

20:05 Eric McCabe put a motion forward to recognize Dave Allen for promoting the shooting sports in Alaska and the motion was seconded, and passed unanimously. Eric McCabe also put another motion forward for Zech Meyer (Executive Director of Birchwood) to be recognized for fostering collaboration and partnership between Birchwood shooting park and the Alaska Rifle Club. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

20:10 business portion of the meeting ended. Tim Silvers announced next annual meeting would be February 3rd, 2023. Then a random door prize drawing was held.

20:30 The meeting was adjourned by Tim Silvers. Afterwards, the club's remaining Garand ball ammo and enbloc clips were sold.

John Winsor
ARC Secretary
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