

VIRGINIA CITY MARSHALS MINUTES

The 23 July 2019 meeting of the Virginia City Marshals was commenced at 7:00 PM by the Club President, Ronald Peddicord (Humphrey Hook) at the National Rifle Association headquarters located at 11250 Waples Mill Road, Fairfax, Virginia 22030.

The purpose of the meeting was to reorganize and continue the Virginia City Marshals (VCM) participation in the Single Action Shooting Society (SASS) shooting sport, discuss the purposes of the VCM, make nominations for 2019-2020 VCM officers, or close VCM down.

Since most of the current VCM members and participants are new, the President started the meeting with a brief overview of the history of the club including it's early origins, operations, and problems.

During a certain period of operation, The National Rifle Association (NRA) charged a fee of \$500 per event for the use of the range. During this period, our monthly fee of \$20 per shooter required at least twenty-five shooters just to cover this charge. The available records show that the average number of shooters per month is only ten to twelve, which caused a shortfall regarding the financial stability of the VCM. A small group of the members often contributed the extra funds required the continuation of VCM operations as they were determined that the VCM would not closedown.

The President also informed the attendees that due to his health, that he could no longer continue as the President of the VCM and someone else would have to step forward to take the reins of leadership if the VCM was to continue operations.

The President also brought up the problems of the increased age of the average shooter in SASS, the start-up cost for a new shooter, and how we needed some sort of outreach programs to attract new and younger shooters into the sport, if we were going to survive in the future.

The meeting was opened to discussion during which a consensus was formed to continue the operation of the VCM, adopt a "ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION" (AOO) drafted by Michael Mays (Lawman Mays) (Attachment 1), with input from Ron Mason (Rawhide Ron) and James

Webb (Squint N. Twitch) and nominate officers or 2019-2020, with elections at the September 2019 meeting. It was also voted that only paid-up VCM members in good standing can vote. The calendar year for VCM shall be 1 September through 31 August each year.

The Assistant General Manager, NRA Range, Debbie Crews offered her assistance with the continued operations of VCM.

The acting Treasurer Lawman Mays discussed the financial condition of VCM and some of the options we have concerning the financial operations of VCM. His report is as follows:

| Funds Received | Paid Obligations |
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| \$ 1,040.00 From Humphrey Hook | \$ 50.00 SASS |
| <u>290.00 May 2019 Receipts</u> | 145.00 NRA |
| | <u>590.00 Liab. Ins.</u> |
| Subtotal \$1,330.00 Received | \$ 785.00 |
| <u>745.00 Paid out</u> | |
| \$ 545.00 Cash on hand | |

Note: An additional amount of \$1,000 is tied up in the estate of John Keats (Lonesome Polecat). Previous VCM checking account was in his name.

Nomination of 2019-2020 officers was opened and the following nominations have been made:

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| President | Harold "Leo" Powell (Hoosier) |
| Vice President | Frank M. McConnell (Rippen Kid) |
| | John P. Forry (The Virginia Kid) |
| Secretary | Will Shaffer (Jack Sazerac) |
| | T.J. Parmele (That Crazy Parmalee) |

Treasurer Michael Mays (Lawman Mays)
Honorary Director Ronald Peddicord (Humphrey Hook)

Additional Nominations will be open in September prior to elections.

The subject of annual dues and monthly shooting fees was the next item of discussion. After friendly and heated debate the amounts were voted on by the attendees with the following results:

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| Annual VCM membership: | \$20.00 |
| Monthly Shooting Fee: | \$20.00 |
| Buy a miss (One only) | \$ 5.00 |

It was voted to start collecting dues for the 2019-2020 and some attendees paid their dues following the meeting. The following persons paid their membership dues : David Reichenbacher (Highland Avenger), Michael Mays (Lawman Mays), Frank McConnell (Rippen Kid), Jack Wheedon (Ricochet Jack), Jeffrey Shapard (Geofredo de Montana), Steve Gottrich (Mustang Major), Harold Powell (Hoosier), John Forry (The Virginia Kid), Jeff Hoover (Lee Jackson), and Ron Mason (Rawhide Ron).

There was a discussion about how to handle our money that comes from the monthly match fees. James Webb (Squint N. Twitch) presented a plan whereby the NRA would collect the \$20 match fees and deposit same in an NRA account. When we need money for new targets, paint or other expenses, the Treasurer or other authorized person would submit a request and receive money from the NRA to pay the expense. This way, no one has to handle the cash receipts that come in for our monthly matches. Debbie Crews from the NRA was present and confirmed that this arrangement is acceptable to the NRA. After a motion and second, the attendees unanimously agreed to this procedure.

There being nothing further for the attention of the attendees, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Ronald Peddicord, President

Harold L. Powell Secretary