March 21st, 2022 Annual General Meeting

Quorum 5 Executive and 8 General Meeting

Number in attendance: 26

Meeting called to order: 7:00 pm

General Meeting Agenda

Agenda George Zuffa seconded.

1. Reading of the previous meetings minutes.

a. Minutes of January 17th, 2022 were read.

Amendments to minutes: Governance Committee was in contact for Societies Act not Sheila Ferguson.

Michelle Sylvestre moved that the minutes be adopted as presented, seconded by Greg Bird.

Carried

2. Business from these minutes

- a. Rick Blakeley: Range 2 Update: CIP Grant Range 2 shelter extension and upgrade. 182 cub meters in dirt. Range 2 is level now. City awarded \$39,000 to the LFGA to fix this problem, as it was a Ward Construction issue. Range 2 16 benches will be installed. Tony Southwest Designing Construction brought price down for LFGA to help out.
- **b. Safety Enhancement and communication grant**: Rick Blakeley, Tom Hopkins and Chris Craig. The City will award \$75,000, Province \$75,000 and LFGA \$75,000 has been approved. The range portion will not be all cash, volunteer work can count. When this is done LFGA will be able to hold an international event. \$1,000 Bench Rest Association of Canada awarded LFGA to put towards moving target backer boards.
- c. AFGA Conference Update: Sheila Ferguson 142 attendances for the Conference. Special Resolution and AGM, Financials were presented in the AGM, there were questions and the AFGA has sent out the answers to those questions. There are going to be Q & A online chair presentations during the Easter Weekend. Sherwood Parks resolution of 3 years reduction in membership dues to a total of \$210,000 did not pass. Sherwood Park as of today will no longer be affiliating with AFGA for the next fiscal year. Sheila reminded members that AFGA receives provincial and federal grants. AFGA is the voice of angler, fisher, conservation and gun enthusiast and that LFGA has always supported AFGA, we also support CCFR.

Resolution Dates: April 16th, 23rd, 30th – LFGA has 1 vote. Greg Bird motioned that the resolution dates be April 30th 2022. Seconded by Joel Rigby.

CARRIED.

Letter from AFGA about Sherwood Park in email, need a forward from Rick Blakeley to Michelle Sylvestre.

3. Correspondence

a. None.

4. Treasurer's Report (Madeline Balla)

 Madeline presented the LFGA financials for the AGM. Available upon request.

Madeline Balla moved that the report be accepted as presented. Seconded by Marilyn Peterson.

CARRIED.

5. Unfinished Business

a. None.

6. New Business

a. **Hut Furnace**: Madeline explained that the furnace needs replacing. Greg Bird moved that up to \$6,000 be spent on a furnace replacement. George Fairs seconded.

CARRIED.

b. **Coulee Clean-Up** / Helen Schuler Centre – George Fairs introduced the idea of a Coulee Clean – up with LFGA. It would be 2 hours on April 22^{nd} and May 21^{st} 2022.

Sheila Ferguson said we are usually successful with the city because we are well involved in a lot of local efforts.

c. Heinz Plontke asked about award recognition. There are plans happening now, possibly for the spring.

Chair Reports

- **a. Community Relations (Scott Sweetman)** Range Day June 4th Report attached from Scott Sweetman, Range Day this year is a national event in conjunction with CCFR.
- **b. Fish** (Joel Rigby) Report from Joel Rigby, read by Rick Blakeley.
 - i. Volunteers to teach children needed and suggestions for what night is best for this type of event. Saturday and Sunday afternoon is suggested for this type of event, preferably Sunday. Please contact Joel Rigby if you want to volunteer. Vices should be downstairs.
 - ii. If you are interested in putting in for the fish trophy, please enter at Marksmen Guns and Sport.
- c. Bird (Angeline McDonald). None.

d. Big Game - (Steven Osmond) - None.

e. Habitat and Environment (Mike Uchikura)

- i. Just in the process of making plans this summer: Milk River Ridge Res. in maintenance this year. The entire area will be fenced off. 80acres of land was returned to permanent cover, about 700 shrubs planted. ACA staff now trained to take drone footage to get an aerial view of the area.
- ii. SMIRD: rehabilitation and water quality needs to go forward. ACA providing a lot of the resources and expertise. Applied to federal funding and was successful \$200,000 to make improvements on SMIRD land. If LFGA wants to be involved please think about being a partner. Mike will keep LFGA posted. These projects have brought LFGA into the forefront. Heinz Plontke was involved in the original deal of the SMIRD project (first agreement).

f. Range (Rick Blakeley) -

- i. **Range Clean-Up being planned**. May 14th & 15th was suggested. Details will come from Rick Blakeley.
- ii. **BlueOx Lumber** is building 5, 10 feet long picnic tables being as volunteers.
- iii. **League Nights** arrange to have a liquor license at the range for social hour. Food Safe and Proserv.
- iv. **Mulch** has been added to ranges to help with moisture and mud.
- v. **Bat condominium** being built, bee houses built as well to stand at the range for habitat purposes. Gophers harvested for the Birds of Prey.
- g. Casino (Allan Friesen) None.

h. Hall (Madeline Balla)

a. Working on being able to purchase the land and building. LFGA is already paying for all the upgrades.

i. Membership (George Roth)

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i. Banquet (Carrie and John Kerber, Madeline and Doug Balla)

7. **AFGA**

a. Will be asking for delegates: Greg Bird will be contacting with details:

Sheila Ferguson, Greg Bird, Joel Rigby, & George Fairs, are volunteering to attend.

8. Photography: Michelle Kennedy

i. Photography awards are ready. Working on kid's trophies.

9. Zone: Sheila Ferguson

AGM for Zone 1 is Saturday May 28^{th} – down at the Range in the classroom – registration in Advance as delegate. Zone 1 is taking nominations for positions.

10. **Board:** Nominations are needed for a 1st Year Chair on the Board. Please forward names to Rick Blakeley.

Adjourned at 8:22 pm.