Lethbridge Fish and Game Association
General Meeting Minutes
Monday, May 11, 2026

Location – LFGA Hut 7pm – 9p
Meeting called to order at 7pm
Chair – Ken Petersen – President
Executive Present – Vice President Doug Mickey, Treasurer Leah Brown
Board of Governors – Jay Mackenzie, Andy Cumming
Sign in sheet available
Quorum was met – 18 members present (including those listed above)

1. Approval of Agenda

    a. **MOTION 20260511.01** That the agenda be adopted as distributed Madeline Balla and Andy Cumming – **CARRIED**

2. Approval of Minutes from April 20, 2026.

    a. **MOTION 20260511.02** that the minutes from the previous general meeting April 20, 2026, be adopted as emailed – Andy Cumming and Wayne Waddell – **CARRIED**

3. Correspondence- Nil

4. Treasurer – Leah Brown

    a. There will be no $10k donation this year to CCFR
    b. donation made to ACA for Pronghorn fencing project - $5000.
    c. Full update in June. Raised concern about insurance required by third parties to rent the hut. What is the cost and who needs to cover this cost?

5. Business Arising from the minutes

    a. Volunteer Appreciation

        i. June 15th is the next General Meeting. To be held at the range starting at 6pm.
        ii. Jay Mackenzie is organizing a Volunteer Appreciation Barbeque as a part of this meeting. It is for members only.

b. Board of Governors Year End Review - Jay Mackenzie

    i. Midyear report to be presented at next general meeting in June 2026. See attached report.

c. Range 2 update

    i. We have not heard back from the city. It was discussed that this needs to be made a priority with the new mayor. Not only are we losing revenue by not being able to rent to law enforcement, but so is the city by these groups not coming into our city, renting hotels, eating at restaurants etc. It was recommended to go to the police chief to assist with contacting the mayor and city council to express the urgency of this matter.

d. Review of the new website

    i. after the launch this month, review of set up along with any recommendations will be made. It is being built as we go. Please be patient.
    ii. If you have feedback, please contact Jay Mackenzie.

6. New business

a. Revenue Generation

    i. A recommendation from the Executive was made to sell discounted day passes at Open Range Day.
    ii. They would be sold for 5 for $100 offered.
    iii. A waiver needs to be included for non-members.
    iv. Sold for cash and EMT.
    v. They need to be numbered and need to expire by Dec. 31, 2026.
    vi. Only available to Range Officer's and their name needs to be on it.
    vii. Jeff and Marilyn are organizing

b. Fish Chair

    i. A new fishing chair is required.
    ii. Wayne Waddell is stepping back as chair. He will stay on until we find someone new. To be put out to the membership.

7. Committee Reports

    a. Banquet report (Deb Clark) - see attached report

    b. Bird (Vic Stasiuk) – 500 chicks coming tomorrow

    c. BOG – Reminder to think about award nominations for members that go above and beyond. The BOG is conducting a review of the financial statements, waiver forms, insurance and the club bylaws.

    d. Fish – Wayne Waddell – changes to fishing rules are out he has given them to Darcey (secretary) to post to our site.

    e. Habitat (Mike Uichikura) – 8-mile lake is getting the green light to get water back in it. Still working on the budget. A private individual contributed $3500 and $5000 is to be donated by LFGA. If more money is required for the project, the executive will consider increasing our donation. 8-mile lake is 10 minutes from Lethbridge. We need to focus on projects in our own backyard.

        Recommendation was also made for Mike to apply to zone 1 AWF for funding.

        Sterling Lake is dry and no longer an effective wintering habitat. Ducks Unlimited is looking into this project and Mike does not anticipate that our club will have a financial obligation. City of Raymond irrigation s/b bringing water to it. Mike is continuing to follow this project.

    f. Hut (Ted Walcott) – Our lease with the City of Lethbridge for The Hut requires liability insurance in the amount of $2,000,000.00 when 3rd parties rent the hut. Due to cost to LFGA, it is being investigated to have 3rd party users obtain liability coverage for this amount and to be able to show proof of coverage when they rent the Hut. This is still being reviewed.

        A workshop is going to be available in June, on how the hunting draw system works. Cost will be $5.00 collected through Wild Apricot.

    g. Range (Jeff Dueschle) – posters made and being distributed, and lead RO's for each range have been organized including the classroom.

        Maintenance – members of the odd job squad are training how to use the equipment.

        Getting quotes to fix golf carts or to buy new ones.

60 gate cards have not worked and have been replaced.

It was recommended that our President is to invite dignitaries to open range day.

Trees (George Fairs) – no budget for water. Under the ACA, if we provide them with receipts for watering, they can use this as a donation to ACA and a tax receipt is issued.

Talks are also underway with the Helen Schuler Center for LFGA to participate in their tree planting initiative.

h. Volunteer (Miranda Wingate) - Looking for information on CIP to ensure that we are tracking all the necessary information as required in the agreement for the grant. Referred to Tom Hopkins for assistance.

8. Other Business

    a. Organize date for banquet earlier.
    b. No rifle draw at Open Range Day.
    c. Take lots of pictures of all events and post to website when up and running.
    d. Thanks to bog and executives for their work.
    e. If you need Microsoft Office for LFGA work let Leah know before June 1st.

9. Meeting Adjourned

Submitted respectfully by recording Secretary:

Marilyn Peterson