

Idaho Traditional Bowhunters
Minutes for Zoom meeting Feb 6, 2025
6:30 pmMST

Meeting was called to order by President Janet Houlihan at 6:30pmMST. Members present were Janet, Shawn Carman, Mike Schlegel, John Warford, Ray Gorney, Dave Dewey, Alex Martin.

Presidents report: No volunteers for Secretary-Treasurer. Insurance approved now waiting for a bill for target trailer insurance (\$357) until July, then bill for entire amount will come due. Getting kids medals done for Fallen Archers and Meadows Valley shoots. Vendors need to call Riley to get added to flyer for Expo. Traditional Madness coming this Saturday at Nampa Public shooting range. Three weeks until Fallen Archers: need volunteers to set up targets. I called Don Schroeder this morning and he will be able to bring his UTV and can also help with set-up and will camp at the site to watch the targets. Target set up can start about 2pm or earlier. Dave Hall will bring out target trailer.

Vice Presidents report: Shawn Carman has been redesigning the flyers for our shoots and pulled up a computer screen of the new flyers. Nice job, Shawn! The annual subscription for the webpage and the URL code is due and we approved to pay that, \$225.00 was the deal Shawn could get for us, normally \$300.

Secretary-Treasurer report: Janet Houlihan gave report. Deposited \$150.48 from PayPal from online membership renewals. Discussed about the percentage that PayPal charges, but agreed it was just the cost of doing business. No expenses for this month so far, and bank balance is \$9658.85. Discussion followed about cost of membership (\$20) being so inexpensive compared to other clubs and it was agreed to keep membership cost the same for now and increase our shoot fees. The higher shoot fees are necessary to allow us to pay for

insurance costs and keeps up the maintenance and replacement of our equipment/targets. We also discussed the Life Member fee (\$200), Life Membership Cards, and creating a list of life members to post on the website and proposal to order Life Member pins for everyone, past, present, and future who is a life member. It was unanimously approved to have Shawn order the pins to look like the 1yr pins he ordered last year. John Warford agreed to help underwrite getting pins for our members! Shawn said 250 pins would be about \$400.

Reports from Regional Directors and Director at Large: Ray Gorney from the Central region said no new information.

Mike Schlegel, Director at Large gave report on Fish and Game commission meetings, (see email or Zoom recording for full information), updates on CWD does not seem to be spreading into other zones than those already reported, except unit 14 north of Slate Creek. Game farm animal from Canada was moved to Idaho and game farms are now under Dept. Of Agriculture and not Fish and Game. Game farms animals are quarantined to fenced area and have a non-fenced? hunting area of animals in different parts of the game farm. Non-resident tags 10% allowed, not guaranteed. Outfitters quotas will be differentiated from regular hunters. Black bear hunting discussed. Resident vs non-resident harvest comparisons statistics. Go to Fish and Game website for full details.

Mike reported Dennis Michaels father recently died and asked for a condolence card be sent. I have sent that card.

Dave Dewey gave a report about Trad Madness happening on February 8, 2025. Starts at 1 pm but will open about noon for registration.

Janet talked about Fallen Archers shoot, March 1, 2025 coming up in 3 weeks and posting flyers in local archery and sports shop. Shawn was able to do that.

We discussed the changing the naming of the shoot to something different. It was agreed we could change the name for next year. Questions about why the name was used and when it was instituted. The name was put on the shoot when Jerry Wilson was president in honor of Matt Garners brother, first and then also other deceased members. I just proposed "Spring Fling" as a name for the shoot but Alex thought that perhaps Nampa Bow Chiefs may be using that name. I will check on that. Volunteers to help with set up please show up on Friday afternoon around 1-2pm.

Discussion of other shoots happening this spring and summer. Janet will prepare gift basket for Western States in California.

Alex made a report on the HAT group. Thermals and drones latest discussion. Not too much discussion in the HAT group about "modern archery". Modern archery harvest statistics may be detrimental to season changes. Archery hunters are killing more mature bulls than rifle hunters and this may cause an uproar among rifle hunters as that information gets published.

Thanks to all who showed up and the meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm by Janet Houlihan

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Houlihan