

Big Bend Sportsman Club

Regular Meeting

September 2, 2025

Meeting called to order: 6:03 PM

Opening Prayer: John Hollis

Guest: John Kilingerman

President's Remarks

President Jim addressed the membership, noting his six years of service and announcing he is passing leadership to the new board. He thanked the board for their support and reported the following:

- The shooting range is in good condition, with increased participation from shotgun shooters.
- Finances are strong, with funds in the bank.
- The new board will need to continue maintenance efforts.
- The Army is scheduling events, limited to 30 participants at a time.
- Hopes remain to hold the annual Turkey Shoot.
- A maximum of 500 keys will be distributed to members.

Jim concluded by saying it has been a pleasure to

serve and that he is leaving the club in good hands.

Adjournment: President Jim adjourned his final meeting at 6:09 PM.

Meeting reconvened at 6:10 PM

Presiding: President Kyp Angel

President Kyp thanked Jim for his dedicated leadership as president.

Reading of August Minutes

Previous Secretary Kirk Caughman read the minutes of the previous meeting.

- Motion to accept made by: Ralph
- Second: John O.
- Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Liz was unable to present in full but provided an update:

- From August 15 to September 1, 143 memberships were sold (\$8,580 at \$60 each).
- Range lease: \$6,000.

- Insurance: \$7,000 (paid with membership funds).
- Remaining bills will be covered soon.
- Normal expenses include maintenance and range repairs.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report:

- Motion made by: Roger
- Second: Dave Wilson
- Accepted by all.

Public Comments / Reports

- **Phil O.** will be traveling for 4–5 weeks. President Kyp asked if the push mower had been fixed.
- **Ralph** thanked leadership for their service this past year.
- **Scott** asked about youth groups. The youngest group will begin Tuesday. No activity occurred last year.
- Discussion on lease negotiations:
- No sale of property planned.
- Current lease runs June to June with slight percentage increases.
- Board is satisfied with current terms.
- **Pat Hooker** reported he will assist with the high

school shooting program while Phil is away. Sessions will be held Tuesdays at 3 PM (members should arrive by 2:30). About 14–18 students plus a teacher and parent/adult supervisor will participate. Additional volunteers are welcome.

New Business

- New sign installed with QR code linking to club website.
- Range clean-up planned once grass gets higher.
- Proposed bylaw changes:
- Lifetime memberships to be discontinued.
- Range cannot be used for personal profit.
- Voting date to be moved to August to provide updated information to new members.
- Pro-rated dues will no longer be accepted.
- **Jim** noted new members have visited the range to test firearms purchased at a gun show.

Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn made by: John O.
- Second: Roger
- Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned: 6:32 PM

