

Alaska Gun Collectors Association, Inc
Board Meeting Minutes
21 September 2004

1. President Don Rogers called the meeting shortly after 1905 hours, upon determination of a quorum. Present were Don Burrows, Ron Cooper, Troy Crow, Bill Hanson, Harry Kadel, Jim Killeen, Joe Koss, Bob Lochman, Hartley Meyer, Jack Murray, Paul Palinski, Don Rogers, Carolynn Tomory, Ray Tomory and Dwight Walker. Bob Hall, Bob Olson and Roger Wakelam were excused. Absent were CW Floyd and Dale Ostler. Also present was Bob Wienhold.

2. Bill Hanson moved to approve the minutes from the August 2004 meeting, and Harry Kadel seconded. The minutes were approved; BPMNV.

3. The treasurer submitted a written report. The \$4,000 borrowed from savings for Youth Day have not yet been replaced from the gaming account. Bill Hanson moved to approve it, and Hartley Meyer seconded. The report was approved; BPMNV.

4. Old business:

a. Coastal Trail Extension: All is quiet for the time being. A law suit has been filed which alleges that federal transportation funds may not be used on this project, for this trail does not enhance transportation in any way—it is strictly recreational, so use of transportation funds on it would be a misappropriation of funds.

b. Exempt status: no change; Joe Koss reports no time for development, but he has talked with John Pratt, who has some experience with the process and who offered to help.

c. Gun Show: Carolynn Tomory reported.

[1] We have approximately 160 tables sold to date. Table sales are up, compared to this time in the past. We seek participation by various governmental agencies. ATF hasn't yet returned a call from Don Rogers. AST wants to participate, but needs coordination from higher authority. APD will likely be there. Wasilla PD will not be there. Palmer PD hasn't returned a call yet. The Army recruiter will be there, the Air Force recruiter may be there, and the Navy recruiter will not be there. There is no answer yet from the Coast Guard, and the Marines haven't yet been called.

[2] This is absolutely Carolynn's last show as chairman. She is willing to advise the new chairman, but she will not coordinate another show.

[3] We need flyers distributed. Bob Olson is taking voice mail and helping a lot. Carolynn presented her list of things to be done for the show. Someone must contact Roy Hartz. Ted Smith will not be available for a safety seminar.

[4] Table storage is still undecided. Bob Lochman said that it may be possible to store them the Mat Valley Sportsman facility. He will check on long-term potential. Jim Killeen has five acres, and we can park there. It may also be possible to park the trucks at the fair grounds.

[5] Where will the next show be? Palmer? Bill Hanson suggested that we wait for results of this show to decide. Carolynn said that there will be no one to mail out notices of such a decision—this is her last show. Bill moved to defer decision until after the next show, and Harry Kadel seconded. Despite this, no decision was made about where to hold the spring show. Bill volunteered to mail show materials to the members if he can get a mailing list and labels. If the show is in Palmer, would early May dates work?

- [6] The Chugiak NJROTC will set up tables.
- [7] Dwight Walker will mark the floor for tables. He will need help.
- [8] The items from storage must come out. Paul Palinski and Don Burrows will work on this, as well as on the tables at the Mountain View Boys and Girls Club.
- [9] Bill Hanson noted that we need a mailing list from Carolynn.
- [10] There will be no display of the club's collection at this show.
- [11] Will we have a Youth Day table? Will Brenda Smart be available to work it? Carolynn will email her about it.
- [12] Can the Explorer Scouts work at the ticket table in front?
- [13] Paul Palinski may not be available for the show.
- [14] Ray Tomory and Hartley Meyer will provide security for Friday night. Bill Hanson and Bob Lochman will stay for Saturday night.
- [15] UAA ROTC will provide security during the show. Can they provide two more cadets for parking security for an extra \$100?
- [16] There will be no assistance available to vendors for set-up.
- [17] Indian Valley Meats will cater breakfast on both days, and lunch for anyone who wants to buy it. They will also have a snack bar. Don Rogers will collect breakfast fees. We will charge \$5 to everyone, regardless of membership type.
- [18] Roger Wakelam, Jim Killeen and Joe Koss will judge the displays.
- [19] Will CW Floyd have a raffle going? Bill Hanson will have split-the-pot raffles.
- [20] Advertising is in place.
- [21] Seminars will be on junior collecting, by Ray Tomory and Greg Ross, and on reloading, by Dwight Walker.
- [22] The next regular board meeting is scheduled for 19 October, but we need another show planning meeting before then. 5 October? Same time, same station.
- [23] Jim Killeen will make sandwich boards to replace the old ones. Carolynn will provide copy to him.
- [24] Bill Hanson will contact Niels Green to research getting Pepsi banners for the show dates to hang two weeks before the show.
- [25] Ads are in the paper and on eight radio stations. We are sending show tickets to the stations to give out in promotions. Dwight Walker is willing to appear on radio to talk about the show. Rick Rydell, Jack Frost and Herb Schaindlin are possibilities. Don Rogers will check.
- [26] Tasha Meyer will check with Troy Crow for news on the web site.
- [27] Bob Lochman will check with the Palmer Rifle Team about providing coffee, donuts and soda. If they are willing, they can keep the proceeds. Bob will then inform Carolynn of results. The Glacier View School is also interested in this. We broke even last time on coffee.
- [28] Carolynn has some radios.
- [29] We can get a van from the Palmer Senior Center to provide taxi service between the parking lot and the show. The van is free, and we need only pay the driver. Hartley Meyer moved, with second by Dwight Walker, to get the van and pay the driver \$75 per day—this is a good service, particularly for those who buy heavy items. The motion carried with two dissenting votes.
- [30] There will be an ATM at the show.
- d. Dick Traini, Mike Hawker and others are working on the question of surplus fire-arm auctions by the Municipality of Anchorage.

e. Should we stay with two gun shows per year, move to one annual show, or have one show and a members-only show in conjunction with a banquet? Should we make one or both shows longer, by opening at noon on Friday? To be considered further.

5. New Business:

a. Bob Wienhold brought up several items.

[1] He suggested that we institute a program to reward informants for information that leads to the arrest and conviction of those who shoot holes in roadside signs. Does NRA have anything on this that we can adapt? This would be good publicity, as well as a public service. Is this something we want to do? Bob also noted that there have been two citations for violation of the Tier Two caribou hunt rules, but no convictions. The AG should prosecute, but has not. How about a reward for information that leads to arrest and conviction of Tier Two violators also? If we need information from NRA, there is no time to have anything ready for the show. We can look at this again, later. Don Rogers said that, per Wayne Ross, advertising such as this does not harm exempt status, or our attempt to gain such. Bill Hanson moved to approve an award of \$500 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of those who shoot holes in roadside signs. Dwight Walker seconded. Bob Lochman offered a friendly amendment to raise the amount to \$1,000, which Bill and Dwight accepted. After discussion, the board voted to approve the motion; BPMNV. Joe Koss will compose a draft for review at the 5 October meeting.

[2] Niels Green will hold a Christmas gun show in Palmer. We need to attract people to our shows. How?

[3] An auction house has free-standing room dividers available, if we can find a use for them and find the money to pay for them.

[4] Great Northern Guns has an Alaskan Mountain Gun Commemorative for around \$750. Should we add this to the collection? Why can't we afford it?

[5] We should reduce table fees at the gun shows. Carolynn Tomory noted that Niels Green charged \$65 per table, higher than our rate, at his December 2003 show. By comparison, people think our \$45 rate is good.

b. Jack Murray said that we should sell something at the shows. Though we may do this at some point, we have no idea now what that may be.

c. The election committee is working on getting nominees for the election to be held at the membership meeting on 17 October. Jim Killeen will call as many of the members as he can to ask personally for participation. Don Rogers is willing to run for the board, but not for president. Dwight Walker is willing to run for reelection, as are Bob Hall and Joe Koss. Ray Tomory and Dale Ostler are not willing to run for reelection, and both Carolynn Tomory and Bob Olson are resigning from the board.

6. The meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 2043 hours.

Joseph P Koss, Jr
Secretary

Alaska Gun Collectors Association, Inc
Board Meeting Agenda
26 October 2004

1. Convene
2. Minutes
3. Treasurer's report
4. New business:
 - a. Kim Jones, Sourdough Productions
5. Old business:
 - a. Coastal trail
 - b. Exempt status
 - c. Gun show
 - d. Youth Day
 - e. Other
6. New business:
 - b. Gun show committee organization
 - c. Other
7. Adjourn