



# Indiana Trapshooter's Association, Inc.

## Minutes – Board of Directors Meeting

April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021



### 1. Call to Order.

President William Mager called the meeting of the Directors and Officers of the Indiana Trapshooter's Association to order at 10:09 am on Saturday April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021 in the offices of Wolfe & Swickard, 1344 S. Tibbs Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana.

### 2. Roll Call of Board Members.

In attendance were:

President	William Mager		
Northern Zone	Mike Powell	Don Barker (Secretary)	Curtis Held
Central Zone	Mike Williams		
Southern Zone	Larry Schauss	David Wade (Vice President)	Jason Seitz
Ex-Officio & ATA Delegate	Jason Barnett		

Absent were: ITA Treasurer John Voliva & Central Zone Directors; Dan Fesler & Sal DeSantis, Indiana Gun Club Lessee and Manager Phillip Baker, AIM Youth Shooting Committee Chairperson Christine Byrd and Hall of Fame Committee Chairperson Devon Harris

A quorum necessary to conduct business of the association was in attendance.

- 3. Reading & Approval of Minutes.** Minutes from the February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021 meeting, were e\_Mailed to board members and officers prior to the meeting for review. After short review a motion was made by Mike Powell with Mike Williams seconding to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- 4. Treasurer's Report.** Secretary Barker distributed copies of the Financial Report on behalf of Treasurer Voliva (absent) prior to the start of the meeting for review. Total net income for January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 to date is (-\$19,447.60). Total bank balance as of April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021 is \$161,884.05 with approximately \$107,000.00 earmarked for the proposed new shell house building when zoning and annexation to Fishers issues have been resolved. Phillip Baker (IGC) has not yet been paid for golf cart rental and electrical usage. After short review a motion was made by Jason Seitz with Mike Powell seconding to approve the Treasurer's reports as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- 5. 2020 Electrical and Golf Cart Rental Reimbursement to IGC.** Discussion was held between Secretary Barker, President Mager (electrical) and Vice President Wade (golf cart rental) to determine the appropriate amounts to be reimbursed to Phillip Baker, Indiana Gun Club. Amounts to be forwarded to Treasurer Voliva so that he may make payment to Phillip.
- 6. Property Tax Bills.** Property tax bills for 2020 payable 2021 from the Hamilton County Treasurer have been received by Treasurer John Voliva in the total amount of \$39,439.02 which is a decrease of \$1,652.22 from 2019 payable 2020 and have been forwarded to Phillip Baker, Indiana Gun Club Lessee to be paid per stipulations of the Lease Agreement.
- 7. Attendance Pins.** Jason Barnett and President Mager questioned the number of attendance pins required for the 2021 Indiana State Shoot. After short discussion, it was decided to reduce the number of pins to be ordered from the 1,320 ordered in recent years to a quantity of 880 for the 2021 State Shoot.
- 8. Shell House Status.** Mike Williams reported no movement on the proposed new shell house, progress pending success of application for 501©3 Non-Profit status and issues related to the possible annexation into the City of Fishers. Mike will be contacting Blitz Builders to affirm the status of our \$10,000.00 deposit on the construction of the new shell house and determine if, given the delays in the project, the deposit should be refunded to the ITA or remain on deposit with Blitz Builders and applied to engineering and plans already developed. The Board instructed Mike Williams to act at his discretion after discussion with Blitz Builders. No report was made available on the condition of the roof on the existing structure.

9. **IGC Lease Status.** Secretary Barker reported that the short-term extension of the lease agreement with Phillip Baker will be endorsed with Phil after the meeting, extending the lease thru June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Negotiation of a mutually desired long-term lease agreement is subject to the success of our application for 501©3 Non-Profit status and subsequent application for Indiana Property Tax exemption and the resulting effect on the property tax clauses in the lease. Extensions in the near future will be short-term rather than long-term.
10. **501©3 Non Profit Status.** Jason Barnett reported that he will be adding the qualifications biography for the newest Board Member, Curtis Held, to the information on file with Kreig/Devault and that a "Conflict of Interest" policy must be developed and approved by the Board and included as part of the application. Jason will be working with Kreig/Devault to develop the "Conflict of Interest" policy and will bring before the Board for presentation and subsequent approval.
11. **Utility Easement Request from Emerald Energy.** No progress to report between Emerald Energy and the ITA related to their request to obtain a utility easement on the eastern boundary of the Indiana Gun Club property. It appears that there is no current sense of urgency on their part to obtain an agreement at this time.
12. **Zone Shoot Target Penalties.** Secretary Barker noted the penalty rules for the 16 Yard and Doubles events at the 2021 Zone Shoots as modified at the last Board meeting. Basically, shooters not meeting the target requirements (500 targets combined in the 2020 and 2021 target years) would be advanced one (1) class. However in the case of a new shooter having no targets it would not be possible to establish an average to base the advance upon. For the sake of consistency the same policy should be observed at all Zone shoots. After discussion it was decided without motion that new shooters with no targets in the 2020 and 2021 target years combined would automatically be placed in class "C", subject to known ability.
13. **Zone Shoot Contracts.** Secretary Barker reported that all contracts for the 2021 Indian Zone Championships have all been signed and returned by the host clubs; St. Joseph Valley Conservation Club (Northern), Fall Creek Valley Conservation Club (Central) and Vincennes Gun Club (Southern).
14. **Selection of Target Bids for 2021 Indiana State Shoot.** Secretary Barker presented the target bids that had been received on behalf of Treasurer Voliva (absent). Bids were solicited for 3,528 cases (56 skids) of White Flyer Orange DOP or "¾ Dome New York Style" targets, same as have been used for the State Shoot in recent years. Freight and delivery charges included. Delivery to be 24 skids on Monday July 5<sup>th</sup>, 24 skids on Wednesday July 7<sup>th</sup> and 8 skids on Friday July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Skids to be shrink-wrapped and all skids to be returned on delivering truck. Bids have been received from R & J Shooting Supplies, Boonville, Indiana (\$49,219.60 or \$13.95+ per case), Dawson Enterprises, S.W. Massillon, Ohio (\$38,129.52 or \$10.80+ per case) and Recob's Target Shop, Prairie du Sac, Wisconsin (\$36,938.16 or \$10.47 per case). Some clarification is necessary on the Recob's bid. Secretary Barker to call and verify the Recob's bid. Motion was made by Mike Williams with Larry Schauss seconding that Treasurer Voliva be authorized to accept and enter into a contract with the lowest bidder. Motion carried unanimously.
15. **Service Personnel Status for 2021 Indiana State Shoot.** Secretary Barker reported that the following service personnel have been contacted and are committed to working at the State Shoot; Annette Sperback (Line Supervisor), Paul Fisher (Assistant Line Supervisor), Jodene Phoencie (Score Sheet Runner) and that Annette has the Big Board position covered. Mike Williams reported that Rhonda Collins would be returning as our Custodian, same schedule as last year. Lee Van Duyn has not yet been contacted regarding trash duty. President Mager or Sal DeSantis to contact Lee.
16. **Cleaning Supplies for 2021 Indiana State Shoot.** Discussion was held regarding the additional cleaning supplies, etc., that have been ordered by Indiana Gun Club on behalf of the ITA for the State Shoot in prior years. Secretary Barker to contact Phillip Baker and/or Cindy Tokarek to verify the same agreement for this year.
17. **Lady Appreciation Awards.** Discussion was held regarding the Lady Appreciation Awards. Several names were presented by Secretary Barker and he also asked for other names that the Board thought appropriate. Further discussion to be held at a later date.

- 18. 2020 Indiana All-State Teams.** ATA Delegate Jason Barnett (absent) had previously e\_Mailed corrected copies of the 2020 Indiana All-State Teams and had followed up with an e-Mail message to board members. There were no changes to the members of the teams, simply the correction of a name spelling error. Discussion was held regarding minimal feed-back that Board Members had received regarding not publishing the composite averages and target attainment. The subject may be revisited prior to naming 2021 teams depending on further feed-back. Corrected version of 2020 Indiana All-State Teams publication listing was provided at the meeting.
- 19. 2020 Indiana All-State Teams / Averages and Target Attainment.** In order to more properly recognize the significant accomplishments of the members of the 2020 All-State teams, Secretary Don Barker initiated discussion on the reversal of the previous Board decision to NOT publish the averages and target attainments of the All-State Team members. Discussion was held. Motion made by Don Barker with Mike Powell seconding that the composite averages and total target attainments be published in the 2021 Indiana State Shoot Program. Motion carried unanimously.
- 20. Review Program for 2021 Indiana State Shoot.** Ex-officio Jason Barnett had previously e\_Mailed DRAFT copies of the 2021 Indiana State Shoot Program and the draft versions were reviewed for any necessary changes. As a result of the review, miscellaneous corrections were made. Jason will distribute another version of the proof from Tim Carroll after corrections. Jason is hoping that 2021 Indiana State Shoot Programs can be in the mail by June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.
- 21. 2021 Indiana HALL of Fame Inductees.** As part of the review of the 2021 State Shoot program, Ex-officio Jason Barnett reported on behalf of Devon Harris, Chairperson of the Hall of Fame Committee (absent), the three members to be inducted into the ITA Hall of Fame during the Hall of Fame & State Team Recognition Ceremony on Friday July 9<sup>th</sup> following the day's shooting activities:
- Joan Davis
  - Bobby Bolden
  - Robert Reynolds
- 22. Mr. Tim Carroll – Championship Programs.** Ex-Officio Jason Barnett complimented the efficient manner and accuracy with which the 2021 Indiana State Program had been modified and edited by Tim Carroll and his staff at Championship Programs, Inc. The Board, as a whole, asked that the minutes show the appreciation of the Board to Mr. Carroll and his staff for a job well done.
- 23. Shoot-Offs.** Ex-Officio Jason Barnett posed the question of whether we wanted to limit shoot-offs for tied contestants to ONLY the Handicap events during the week and the Championship events on Saturday and Sunday. After discussion, a motion was made by Mike Williams with Don Barker seconding that shoot-offs be held ONLY for Handicap events during the week and the Championship events and that all ties in the 16 Yard and Doubles events, excepting the Championship events on Saturday and Sunday, be resolved by carry-over. Motion carried unanimously.
- 24. Miss and Out Event at 2021 Indiana State Shoot.** Discussion was held regarding the annual "Miss and Out" event suspended for the 2020 Indiana State Shoot due to health concerns related to the COVID 19 Virus. After discussion it was decided without motion that the "Miss and Out" event will be held on Friday Night, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at the 2021 Indiana State Shoot. President Mager to contact Tom Matthews regarding the event and the status of Baker Farms' donation that had been received for 2020.
- 25. Shooter Appreciation Dinner at 2021 Indiana State Shoot.** Discussion was held regarding the annual "Shooter Appreciation Dinner" event suspended for the 2020 Indiana State Shoot due to health concerns related to the COVID 19 Virus. After discussion it was decided without motion that the "Shooter Appreciation Dinner Out" event will NOT be held at the 2021 Indiana State Shoot because of the restrictions, yet unknown, that may exist at the State Shoot due to COVID 19. President Mager to contact Tom Matthews regarding the suspension of the dinner for 2021.
- 26. Water Distribution at 2021 Indiana State Shoot.** Discussion was held whether or not to provide water (coolers and/or bottled) which had been suspended for the 2020 Indiana State Shoot due to health concerns related to the COVID 19 Virus. After discussion it was decided without motion that water will not be provided for shooters because of the restrictions, yet unknown, that may exist at the State Shoot due to COVID 19.

- 27. Special Drawing in Memory of Bobby Bolden.** Ex-Officio Jason Barnett presented his thoughts on a special drawing initiated by and sponsored by Mr. Fred Hackett of Midwest Forensics, LLC in memory of Bobby Bolden, 2021 ITA Hall of Fame Inductee (posthumous). The total of \$500.00 donated by Mr. Hackett will be split into 2 prizes of \$250.00 to be drawn Sunday July 11<sup>th</sup> at the 2021 Indiana State Shoot before the Handicap event. It was decided without motion that each paid entry during the State Shoot will receive 1 ticket for the drawing. Discussion was held regarding the method of distributing the tickets upon cashiering entries. Further discussion may be necessary at a later date to finalize the logistics, Secretary Barker to develop appropriate tickets and have them printed and available at the State Shoot.
- 28. Parking Problem between Vendor Row and Garden Shed/Storage Containers.** Discussion was held regarding the chronic problem of shooters parking in the area between the east end of vendor row and the garden shed & storage containers. In the past this has been a significant problem because of the congestion caused and limiting access to the driveway leading to the east end of the grounds. Several methods to resolve this were discussed. It was decided that paint indicating "NO PARKING" be applied while setting up for the shoot and that the existing concrete pails and posts be utilized to restrict parking in the affected area. Towing of violators was discussed.
- 29. Camping Availability for State Shoot.** Questions came up about whether or not camping spots were available for the 2021 Indiana State Shoot. Jason Barnett reported that during recent discussions with Dan & Desira Fesler, all camping spots were currently spoken for and additional requests for spots were being placed on a waiting list. Jason indicated that due to some health issues that Dan was experiencing, he would be assisting Dan & Desira with the camping duties. The Board thanked Jason for his assistance with these duties.
- 30. ITA Youth Shooting Shell Raffle.** Vice President David Wade reported that Chrissy Byrd, Chairperson, ITA AIM Youth Shooting Committee, has requested that the directors and/or clubs in each Zone cooperatively make a donation of 3 cases ("flats") of shells for the ITA Youth Shell Raffle with an additional case ("flat") from other sources to provide a minimum of 10 cases ("flats") for the raffle. Further discussion to be held at a later date depending on the current unavailability of shells.
- 31. Dr. Scott Norris Request to use ITA Traps for Indiana High School State Trap Shooting Championships.** Larry Schauss reported that Dr. Scott Norris had requested to borrow fifteen (15) traps and necessary shooting furniture (voice calls, scorer's chairs, gun racks and shooting benches) to be used for the Indiana High School Trap Shooting League's State Championships to be held at Indiana Gun Club on Saturday June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Secretary Barker related that in telephone discussions with Phil Baker and e-Mail messages exchanged with Mr. Mike Perryman who was tasked by Phil with directing this event, Phil and Mr. Perryman had also requested the use of traps, voice calls and furniture for not only the High School program on June 5<sup>th</sup> but also for the SCTP State Championships to be held on Friday June 18<sup>th</sup> (sporting clays discipline), Saturday June 19<sup>th</sup> (trap discipline) and Sunday June 20<sup>th</sup> (skeet discipline). Mr. Perryman noted that the Director for the High School Trap Shooting league had requested the use of only 9 trap fields – 8 program fields and one practice field and therefore he would require only nine (9) traps. Mr. Perryman and Phil to be responsible for removing the traps & furniture from the storage containers and installing as necessary and also be responsible for the care and any maintenance necessary to the traps & furniture during and after the events. Care and handling of the traps to be coordinated directly between Phil/Mr. Perryman and Mike Williams, Chairperson of the ITA Trap Maintenance Committee. Discussion was held and given the trust and past relationship we have had with Mr. Perryman and his concern for our equipment, the Board was in full agreement. Motion made by Mike Williams with Mike Powell seconding that Phil and Mr. Perryman on behalf of Indiana Gun Club be allowed to borrow the necessary ITA equipment for these events. Motion carried unanimously.
- 32. Indiana Gun Club Manager's Report.** In addition to the conversations related to the ITA traps and furniture noted above, Secretary Barker reported the following items reported by and discussed with Phil Baker, lessee of Indiana Gun Club;
- ✓ Phil is currently trying to replace the main air conditioning unit (located on the platform to the west of clubhouse) but is currently hampered due to the shortage of A/C units available. Replacement to be at Phil's expense.
  - ✓ Discussions related to Phil's vendor tent and the locating of campground electrical service before the tent (stakes) installed.
  - ✓ ITA mower is okay, Phil has had the mower serviced at no expense to the ITA and they have already started mowing for the year.

- ✓ Phil expects that shells will be available for the State Shoot although availability may be rationed only to paid entries. May also have reloading supplies available, pending availability.
- ✓ Phil has filed for a grant with the Midway Foundation. His intent is to purchase 4 new PAT traps and possible, pending funds, renovation of the trap fields and trap houses located in front of the clubhouse.
- ✓ All skeet houses have been refurbished and hopefully the portable skeet house will be replaced by the time of the SCTP youth program (June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021).

- 33. ATA Delegates Report.** Indiana ATA Delegate Jason Barnett reported that the US Open will be held Wednesday June 2<sup>nd</sup> thru Sunday June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at the World Shooting & Recreational Complex, Sparta, Illinois and it is expected that the 2021 Grand American will return to the World Shooting & Recreational Complex in Sparta after hosting the 2020 Grand at the Missouri Home Grounds in Linn Creek, Missouri. The 2021 Grand American is scheduled for Wednesday August 4<sup>th</sup> thru Saturday August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021.
- 34. ATA Kolar Gun Raffle.** President Mager requested that he be given the raffle tickets for the Kolar Regal ® Trap Combo to be raffled during the closing ceremonies of the 2021 Grand American, August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021 so that he may offer them to the shooters that had purchased these tickets in 2020 as they had been asking about the availability. Secretary Barker to forward these tickets to Mr. Mager.
- 35. Minutes & Agenda Copies by Mail.** Vice President David Wade requested that he receive copies of the ITA Board Meeting agendas and draft copies of the minutes via US Postal Service Mail. Secretary Barker indicated that steps would be taken to make that happen. Secretary Barker asked if any other Board members would like to receive their copies via US Postal Service Mail. No other Board Members requested this method of delivery at this time.
- 36. Next Meeting Date/Time and Location.** Next ITA Board of Directors meeting scheduled for Saturday June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021, at 10:00 am in the in the offices of Wolfe & Swickard, 1344 S. Tibbs Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana.
- 37. Adjournment.** There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Mike Powell with Curtis Held seconding to adjourn at 2:06 pm. Motion carried unanimously.