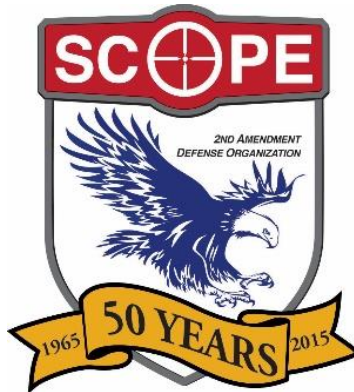


Wyoming County Minutes



Meeting Minutes –May 12, 2016

- I. Call to Order 7:10 pm
- II. Pledge to flag by veteran Larry Becker
- III. Prayer- Winston Platt to lead us in prayer
- IV. Presentation by “Just Holster It” showing us various styles of holsters for concealed carry pistols. Discussion included considering what you will be wearing for clothing when choosing a holster. Get to a range and practice drawing from your holster safely.
- V. Gary Olcott presented the minutes from the last meeting. The minutes were approved as read.
- VI. Secretary Report- Signup sheet for 200 Yard Shoot Volunteers passed around. Posters for 200 yard shoot and the Gun Raffle were made available. Dues-Please respond when contacted to renew your dues. Officers are getting lists and a way will be developed to remind people who forget to renew.
- VII. Treasurer Report-

5/12/16	Treasurer Report	
Previous Checking Balance	4/14/16	<u>\$5,972.43</u>
TOTAL DEPOSITS	Since 4/14/16	\$1,268.47
TOTAL DISPURSEMENTS	Since 4/14/16	\$2,030.98
<u>NEW CHECKING BALANCE</u>	<u>5/12/16</u>	<u>\$5,209.92</u>

Breakdown of categories was shown on screen to those in attendance.

- VIII. Wildlife Federation Report by Larry Becker– Their speaker in April was DEC staff member Emilo Rendenz. The DEC is very short staffed and temps are being hired. The Turkey survey is complete and results will be sent out as soon as compiled. Fisher study is done and there may be a fall trapping season. It is Wyoming County’s

turn to chair the Western NY Wildlife Federation. The Chair of Wyoming County Wildlife Federation would like a volunteer from one of our local chapters to volunteer to chair this 2 year position. They are working up a youth conservation day plan for Wyoming County. The fishing access at the Pike dam is completed and was opened along with a press day.

IX. Open issues

- a. A previous Motion from April 14, 2016 meeting was made and seconded that for future year Wyoming County SCOPE budgets- \$1000 be a line item for youth related second amendment activities. After discussion, Karl Drasgow who made original motion, revised his motion to read as follows: **For future years Wyoming County SCOPE budgets will include a line item for youth related second amendment activities. Motion was voted on and carried.**
- b. Polo Shirts with SCOPE logo are in. Members with orders, please see treasurer to pick up and pay for shirts.
- c. The State Scope Meeting was held April 23. The organization has grown in NYS by enormous numbers the past few years. Seven different committees have been organized including Finance, Membership, Bylaws, etc. Any Scope member interested in serving on one of these committees should contact Chairperson Mark Yount. At the meeting the Wyoming County Chapter was recognized several times for things such as our membership retention, reaching out to our community and relationship developed with our county sheriff.
- d. The May 7 meeting in Alexander with Paloma Capanna on the Legal Defense Foundation establishment was well attended by over 80 people. Genesee and Wyoming Chapters cooperated to sponsor the event along with Dave Dipietro and Steve Hawley. The event got good news coverage by Batavia Daily. One of the take away tips stressed was that all gun owners should photograph their gun and ammo collections. Also a written record of serial numbers is important. If guns are ever confiscated, they likely won't get the care the owner shows them and there are reports of missing or lost guns when returned. Scope chapters are asked to consider donations to the Scope Legal Defense Foundation.

X. New business

- a. Chairman reported on his recent visit to the 4H shooting club meeting to distribute checks from Scope to assist in their planned trip to a national shoot in Nebraska. The club appreciated the gift and the opportunity they had to explain their club and do some fund raising at the Legal Defense Foundation public meeting in Alexander, NY last weekend. They passed on through Chairman that any scope member is invited anytime to their meetings to see what they are doing.
- b. The Wyoming County Scope 200 Yard Challenge Shoot will be held June 4 at the Attica Rod and Gun Club. Youth and Adult classes. Information is on our website on how to register. Volunteers are needed for merchandise sales and registration. Some people signed up at this meeting but more can contact Gary Olcott at gary@wyomingcountyscope.org if available. Shooters should register through our website.

- c. The Wyoming County Gun Raffle is ongoing and tickets are \$10 each. Members are asked to take tickets from this meeting to sell or contact Dave Johnson for tickets to sell.

XI. Announcements and MISC.

- a. Open discussion on where SCOPE should be directing efforts now that SAFE ACT is entrenched and getting it repealed seems unlikely at the present time. Agreement was that emphasis was to still keep people informed and make every effort to curtail State efforts to take away Second Amendment rights. The Legal Defense Foundation needs our support to fight injustices. We need to continue encouraging gun owners of their power in voting and need to vote. We should Help with getting people registered to vote. Make efforts of Outreach to women shooters. Continue efforts with encouraging youth in shooting and hunting sports. Continue to build relationship with County Sheriff.
- b. Next month Dr. Eli Saber will be our guest speaker with a talk on Protection in the Home. He is a great speaker and everyone is encouraged to bring at least one guest to hear him speak.
- c. Scope Members need to remember to bring their bottles for recycling to the SCOPE meetings or drop them off to Dave Johnson at Johnson Space Center just north of village of Wyoming. These deposits add up and we need more people to participate in this easy way to fund some Scope activities.

XII. Adjournment

Chairman Yount adjourned the meeting at 9:10 pm.

Chairperson Signature Date

Secretary Signature Date