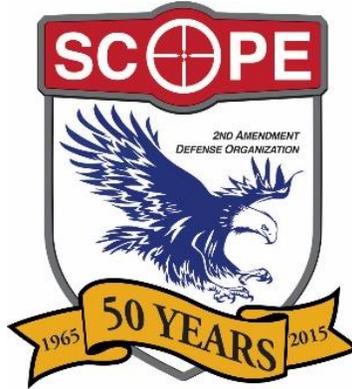


# Wyoming County Minutes



## Meeting Minutes –February 9, 2017

Call to Order 7 pm

- I. Pledge to flag by Veteran Larry Becker.
- II. Winston Platt to lead us in prayer
- III. The Second Amendment to the Constitution was reviewed by Chairman.
- IV. Minutes- Gary Olcott presented the earlier emailed minutes on screen from the January meeting.
- V. Secretary Report- Gary reviewed that it is hard to keep up with membership changes and he would like to get some volunteers to help with this. Don Oberlin has already been assisting.
- VI. Treasurer Report- Bill reviewed the financial details of income and expenses since last meeting on the screen for all to see. On Motion the report was approved as presented. Bill is trying out a new accounting software that will help in future. Quickbooks.
- VII. Chairman Report- Discussion about the Attica High School Trap shoot team and would like to see SCOPE somehow assist in sponsoring and encouraging such endeavors.
- VIII. Wildlife Federation Report – The Federation is buying new archery equipment for their fair booth in August. DEC Camp \$200 scholarships are available to youth in the county through the federation. The Federation is examining what the future holds for in a legal sense relating to their normal raffle to raise funds.
- IX. Old Business –
  - a. Two guns were sold immediately before this meeting by silent auction to Scope Members. Ruger SP 101, 357, 3.25” Barrel and a Remington 700 ADL in 243. The previous winners of these guns from the raffle elected or were required to take the cash instead of the gun.
  - b. The Committee to amend the county law restricting no firearms except by law enforcement officers in county buildings met on Jan. 30. They have worked out a plan to meet with the County Public Safety Committee and ask for the law change. Their meeting with the Public Safety Committee is scheduled for March 2. They will report at the next Scope meeting on progress.
- X. New Business

- a. Kathie Ricketson reported that the state Scope board was considering Purchasing the Eddie Eagle costume and program material relating to gun safety. It is a little costly and Kathie and others are asking at local chapter meetings if local Scope clubs would consider supporting the project financially and have use of it also.  
A lot of discussion followed but no commitment was made at this time.
- b. It was brought up that the Concealed Carry Permit application now requires some new answers to questions. Driver license Number? Are you a fugitive? Are you addicted to unauthorized substances? Are you an illegal alien?
- c. The Chairman of the local Veterans of Foreign Wars spoke to the group that it is admirable to look to do things for the veterans but to be aware many of them are reluctant to come forward for special programs offered them by groups like Scope. If they think it will cause them to lose any benefits they may presently be getting, they will avoid participating. Just some info to keep in mind when planning outreach to Vets.
- d. There was discussion from the floor on what can be done to still affect or repeal the SAFE Act in New York. More marches on Albany? Legal avenues? Chairman Mark Yount summarized the discussion that there are legal funds from SCOPE and other organizations working to support people caught up in violations and to fight the law in the courts. He commented that first session of gun owners showing up in Albany was successful but follow up attempts have not been well attended. Strongest fight against the SAFE Act is who we elect as our leaders. Gun Owners need to unite and get their fellow gun owners to show up and vote.

XI. Announcements and MISC

Pheasants Forever will hold their banquet on Saturday March 4 at the Alexander Fire Hall. Friday, March 3 at 5 pm will be set up and Scope will have a table if anyone can help with setup.

Beth Lancaster reported her visit to the Erie County Scope meeting and how informative it was. The Erie County Sheriff and Dave Bellavia were speakers.

XII. Adjournment

On Motion Chairman Yount adjourned the meeting at 8:30 pm

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Chairperson Signature      Date

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Secretary Signature      Date