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**15 JANUARY 2025
7:30 PM**

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Don Mercovich 908-319-4478

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Bill Murphy

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Jim Owings 973-383-3208

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(Open)

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Juniors:

Bill Murphy

Black Powder:

Steve Serna 973-601-3779

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Vice President John Gumann started the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. He then led our club in a moment of silence in memory of all our departed members. John also reminded those in attendance, that our meetings are governed by Roberts Rules of Order.

The minutes for the December meeting were deemed to be correct by the attending membership.

Officers & Committee Reports:

Treasurer's Report: Mike Fortunato read the Treasurer's Report aloud:

Bank Balance (as of Dec 18, 2024): \$28,630.21

Receipts: \$14,870.63

Disbursements: \$13696.00

Excess Disbursements Over Receipts: \$1,177.63

Bank Balance (as of Jan 15, 2025) : \$29,807.84

Money Market Fund:

Available for use: \$30,582.02

Restricted for Contingencies: \$105,705.00

Balance (as of Dec 31, 2024) : \$136,287.02

George Rutkowski/Jack Bowden Fund Balance (as of December 31, 2024) : \$7,088.84

President—Rich Gajda Not attending.

Vice President—John Gumann reported that the apartment is still available to be rented and we continue to actively look for a new tenant. The tenant must be a member of the club. Jim Owings took some new pictures of the apartment, which will be sent out in an eblast to the membership shortly.

Secretary—George Wagner No Report.

Pistol – Jim Owings reminded everyone that empty chamber indicators (ECI's) must be used to flag each and every gun that is out on the benches of the Indoor Range. ECI's can be purchased from Jim for \$1.00 if needed. Jim also reminded everyone to read and thoroughly understand the range rules, and that there is a copy on the sign-in desk if needed. Additionally, Jim reminded everyone that members are responsible for their guests behavior, and rule infractions committed by guests are the responsibility of the inviting member.

Rifle—Bill Murphy reported the next Rifle match will be on January 26th on the Indoor range and is limited to 22LR caliber rifles.

USPSA—Ron Gumann reported there was no January USPSA match due to the weather, but that a match is planned for the 1st Saturday in February. There is also an Intro to USPSA class planned for May 31st this year.

Women's League—Elizabeth Mackee reported that the league is shut down for the Winter, but will resume the last Wednesday in March. Looking for members to bring a female friend or family member. Cost is \$10 apiece and 50 rounds of 22LR ammo is provided. Also looking for coaches, preferably with 22LR handguns to assist.

Black Powder—Steve Serna reported that "we're still shooting" the 2nd Sunday of every month, and that all are welcome to come, if only to just watch.

Membership —**Greg Forte** read in the following pledges for their 1st reading: Russell DiFalco, Dave Fiore, Mary Wintermute, Bill Wintermute, John Davis, Sheri Harvey. He then read in the following new probationary members: Michael Vanya, Rich Bizik, Brett Emery, & Mike Palumbo. There were no anniversaries this past month.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: A member mentioned that the light for the flag at the clubhouse seems to be out.

GOOD & WELFARE: Will mentioned that the Forks of the Delaware Gun and Militaria show is coming up on Feb 9th and 10th.

Next Members Mtg on 2/19/25
Meeting adjourned @ 7:50 PM