## **BY-LAWS** OF **OUTING GUN CLUB**

## **OUTING, MINNESOTA**

## ARTICLE I GENERAL INFORMATION

Section 1

NAME

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This organization is a non-profit organization and shall be known as The Outing Gun Club, Inc.

Section 2

**PURPOSE** 

The Outing Gun Club was organized to provide a safe environment for recreational shooting for member and their guests. Our club is available for organized shooting events and training upon request. Only paper or plastic targets shall be allowed on the range.

#### Section 3

#### LIMITATIONS OF METHODS

The Outing Gun Club shall observe all local, state and federal laws which apply to a nonprofit organization. It is agreed upon that this organization will continue as long as there are 10 active members. If ever there are less than 10 active members, the Outing Gun Club board of directors will vote on the cease of functioning of the club at this time as allowed by law.

## ARTICLE II **MEMBERSHIP**

#### Section 1

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

Any persons having an interest in the purpose of the organization shall be eligible to apply for membership. Any member under the age of 18 years shall be accompanied by an adult member.

### Section 2

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#### **MEMBERSHIP**

The annual membership term shall run from January 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>. Applications for membership shall be in writing, on forms provided for that purpose, and signed by the applicant. Introductions of members shall be made by the Board of Directors at any meeting there of. Any applicants introduced shall become a member upon payment of annual membership dues. Each member must show proof of membership in order to participate at any shooting at the range. Any guests of paid members must be accompanied by that member. At no time shall a non-member be allowed to use the range without a member of the club. Each member using the Gun Range is responsible for any/all items that they bring to the range and there shall be "NO" debris left on the premises at any time. Members shall be limited to two (2) shooting guests at one visit (excluding family members).

#### Section 3

#### **TERMINATION**

Any member may be expelled by a two thirds vote of the Board of Directors, at a regularly scheduled meeting thereof, for conduct unbecoming a member, after notice and opportunity for a hearing are afforded the member complained against.

## Section 4 VOTING

Any member shall be entitled to one vote on each matter submitted to a vote of the general membership.

# ARTICLE III MEETINGS

#### Section 1

#### REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Regularly scheduled meetings shall be held on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Crooked Lake Town Hall in Outing. The meeting dates and location may be changed at any time by the Board of Directors; however, sufficient notice must be given to each member of the club via postal service mail, phone call, email or website. If it is determined that a monthly meeting is not necessary, it will be posted on our website.

#### Section 2

#### ADDITIONAL MEETINGS

Any special meetings of the Outing Gun Club may be called by any board member at any time; however, a notice of special meetings shall be posted on the website within five (5) days prior to such meetings. Any meeting deemed extremely urgent by the board members can be held by the board members only and decisions can be made by simple majority.

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#### Section 3 ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the club shall be the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday in March at 10:00 am. The location of this annual meeting shall be decided at least one month prior to annual meeting and all members shall be notified of this annual meeting. At this meeting the elections of Board of Directors shall take place (if applicable). At this meeting, members may raise any questions including any changes or revisions of the existing by-laws.

## ARTICLE IV **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

#### Section 1

#### COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD

The board of directors shall be composed of no more than 7 members or no less than 3 members, inclusive of officers. The quorum shall be a minimum of 3 persons. The Board of Directors shall consist of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and three (3) directors. The government and policy making responsibilities of the Outing Gun Club shall be vested in the Board of Directors, which shall control its property, be responsible for its finances, and direct its affairs. The board of directors with a majority vote will have the right to make any financial decisions up to a maximum amount of \$500.00 (five hundred dollars) prior to a meeting if felt necessary. No board member shall have the authority to obligate the club for any unapproved expenditures. No actions shall be taken without board approval.

#### Section 2

#### SELECTION AND ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Prior to the annual meeting, there shall be sufficient notice given to any interested parties for any board of director's position via our website and/or mailing via postal service. If one or more candidates are nominated for an office, the names of all candidates shall be placed on a ballot in alphabetical order. All members present may vote. The candidate with the greatest number of votes will be declared/elected to the office open. All newly elected board members shall be seated at the regular meeting on the month following the annual meeting (April). The terms for the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be two (2) years. The term for the three other directors shall be Three (3) years. Two members of the same household shall not be allowed to be on the board of directors at the same time.

#### Section 3 **DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

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- A.) President: The President shall preside at all meetings of the membership and the Board of Directors. The President shall be the principle officer of the Club and, subject to the control of the Board of the Directors, shall in general, supervise and control all of the business and affairs of the Club. He/She shall be one of three signers on any/all bank accounts of the club.
- B.) Vice President: The Vice President shall exercise the powers and authority and perform the duties of the President in the absence or disability of the President.
- C.) Secretary: The Secretary shall take accurate minutes at each regular meeting and board meetings and make them available to any/all members of the club, shall be the custodial of the minutes and any other correspondence and/or records, shall maintain a register of the post office address of each member which shall be furnished to the secretary by such member, shall give and serve all notices to members of the organization, shall present any communication given to him/her as Secretary of the club, shall present the minutes of the prior meetings at each regular membership meeting, shall display an accurate list of members names at the Gun Range and shall email meeting agendas to all members who have provided email addresses.
- D.) Treasurer: The Treasurer shall be responsible for the safeguarding of all funds received by the Club. Such funds shall be kept on deposit in the financial institution on record, or invested in a manner approved by the Board of Directors. He/She shall be one of three signers on any/all bank accounts of the club. The treasurer shall keep accurate financial records showing any/all transactions and they shall be made available to any member at any general membership meeting, shall deposit monies, endorse for deposits, disperse funds as ordered at both general membership meetings and board meetings, shall perform other duties as prescribed by the Board or by the President.
- E.) Directors: They shall attend all meetings and perform all duties as directed by the President. They shall review the financial records annually and report any discrepancies to the board.

#### Section 4 VACANCIES

A member of the Board of Directors who is absent from three (3) consecutive regular meetings shall be automatically dropped from the membership on the Board, unless confined by illness or their absence is approved by a majority vote of the general membership voting at any meeting thereof. In the event of a vacancy, he/she will be replaced at the next meeting to fulfill the existing term.

## ARTICLE V MISCELLANEOUS

Section 1

FISCAL YEAR

The Fiscal Year of the Corporation shall be January 1st through December 31st.

Section 2

AMENDMENTS OF BY-LAWS

By-laws of the Club may be adopted, amended or repealed by the two-thirds (2/3) of the voting membership attending the annual meeting, held following 30 days notice thereof, containing the proposed amendment or at a special meeting called for such purpose.

Section 3

ORDER OF BUSINESS

The order of business shall consist of:

Call to Order

Announce any Guests or New Members

Secretary's Report

- a.) reading of previous minutes
- b.) any additions, corrections or discussion
- c.) make motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> to accept

Treasurers Report

- a.) read the report
- b.) any additions, corrections or discussion
- c.) make motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> to accept

Correspondence

- a.) any letters or correspondence addressed to club
- b.) discussion and necessary action

**Old Business** 

**New Business** 

Other Business

**Next Meeting Announcement** 

Adjourn – motions

These by-laws were revised and adopted as and for the by-laws of the Outing Gun Club, a Minnesota Non-Profit Corporation.

Dated: March 10, 2012

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President

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Vice President

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