



**HAYWARD  
ROD & GUN CLUB  
BY-LAWS**

*2017 REVISION*

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# LAWS OF THE HAYWARD ROD & GUN CLUB

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## **ARTICLE I - MEMBERSHIP**

Section 1. All prospective members must be sponsored by a member in good standing.

Section 2. All prospective members must be voted by a simple majority of members present at a regular meeting by a voice vote.

Section 3. Any eligible person, eighteen (18) years of age or older, may become a member.

Section 4. To be considered for nomination for an elected office, a person must be a member for one year. This requirement may be waived by the Board of Directors.

## **ARTICLE II - MEETINGS**

Section 1. The annual meeting of the members of this association shall be held during the month of July each year. The meeting shall be at the Rod and Gun Club building on Highway B in Hayward, Sawyer County, Wisconsin, or at a place to be determined by the Board of Directors.

Section 2. Special meetings may be called at any time by the President or shall be called upon the written request of five (5) members of the association, and presided over by a Club Officer or Director.

- Section 3. A simple majority of dues paid voting members in attendance shall constitute a quorum at the annual, regular or special meetings of the association.
- Section 4. Notice of changes to the time and place of holding the annual, regular or special meeting shall be given at least five (5) days in advance by mail, email or website.
- Section 5. At the annual meeting, the officers shall be elected to serve for a term of one (1) year.
- Section 6. The Board of Directors shall serve for a period of three (3) years, board members to staggered terms. If elected to serve a partial term they will fill out that said term.
- Section 7. Meetings will be conducted under Parliamentary Procedures (Roberts Rules of Order).
- Section 8. No officer shall serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office, unless there is an absence of candidates for that office, at which point the rules may be suspended, and that officer may serve an additional term, as voted by the simple majority of voting members present at the annual meeting.
- Section 9. A position on the Board of Directors to be named Executive Officer shall be a non-voting position (hired by the Officers and agreed on by the Board of Directors). This position shall complete the duties of the Secretary/Treasurer. (what was known as Article III – Section 4 of The By-Laws from 2004, now revised). The Executive Officer shall be a paid position as agreed upon and a Contract will be signed between such Executive Officer and the Officers (as well as the Board of Directors).

## **ARTICLE III - OFFICERS AND DUTIES OF**

Section 1. There shall be a President, Vice President.

Section 2. The President shall, upon election appoint any necessary committees to serve during the term of office. The President shall preside at all meetings of the association and shall perform such duties as may be prescribed by the By-Laws and are incident to the office of President. The President shall, at the annual meeting of the association held at the close of the term of office, report upon the general operations of the association during the preceding year.

Section 3. The Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President in the absence of the President. In the event the President leaves the office or is unable to carry out the duties of office, the Vice President will become interim President until a new President is voted by the Membership.

Section 4. The Executive Officer shall take minutes at all meetings, shall take charge of all records of the organization and attend to all correspondence concerning affairs of the association. The Executive Officer shall further collect and distribute the funds of the organization as directed by the President and Board of Directors. A report of all transactions will be given at all monthly meetings, and an annual report will be presented at the annual meeting in July.

## **ARTICLE IV - DUES**

Section 1. Dues are payable upon membership application and annually thereafter within 30 of renewal notice.

Section 2. If membership dues are lapsed or in arrears for over sixty (60) days all voting rights are suspended; if over ninety (90) days, all membership range and club rights will be suspended, and membership must be reapplied for.

Section 3. In the event it becomes necessary, the Board of Directors shall have the authority to levy a special assessment upon the membership, payable over three consecutive months. Upon nonpayment of special assessment, all voting and membership rights will be suspended, until said assessments are paid in full.

## **ARTICLE V - SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION**

Section 1. Members can be expelled or suspended for good cause, shown upon written complaint of three voting members, addressed to the Board of Directors, and upon recommendation of that Board, any member may be suspended or expelled by a majority vote of members present at any annual, regular or special meeting of the association. The member concerned shall receive written notice of and copies of the written complaints and have the right to appear before the Board of Directors to defend himself or herself thirty (30) days after the notice is received.

Section 2. Any member convicted of a felony will be immediately removed from the membership rolls. Any member convicted of a fish or game violation could be suspended, pending a review by the officers and directors, and could be reinstated after an appropriate time, depending on the nature of the violation.

## **ARTICLE VI - RIGHTS OF MEMBERS**

Section 1. All persons becoming active members of this Association and while continuing to be such in good standing, wherever their place of residence, shall have the same voice and be accorded equal privileges at association meetings.

## **ARTICLE VII - ORDER OF BUSINESS**

Section 1. The following shall be the order of business at regular monthly meetings of the association.

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call of Officers
4. Previous Meeting Minutes
5. Treasurer's Report
6. Reading of Communications
7. Reports of Committee's
8. Reports of Special Meeting
9. Report of Board of Directors
10. Old Business
11. New Business
12. Motion to Adjourn

Section 2. The agenda for the annual meeting will be prepared by the Officers and Board of Directors.

## **ARTICLE VIII - AMENDMENT AND REPEAL**

Section 1. Sections of these By-Laws may be amended by a simple majority vote of members present at two (2) consecutive meetings of this association. All dues paid members attending the two (2) meetings of By-Laws changes will receive a copy of the proposed amendments, all members will receive a copy of the approved amended By-Laws at the next monthly meeting (or via email, website or mail as necessary).

## **ARTICLE IX - DISSOLUTION OF ASSOCIATION**

Section 1. Should this association dissolve, any and all actions should (and must) follow the Wisconsin State Statutes that are in effect at the actual time of the Dissolution.

THESE BY-LAWS, UPON ADOPTION,  
SHALL SUPERSEDE ALL  
PREVIOUS BY-LAWS.

VOTED ON AND PASSED  
SEPTEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup>, 2017

X:   
PRESIDENT

X:   
VICE-PRESIDENT

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DIRECTOR

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