

# June 2019 Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:05pm.

There were (33) members present.

Club President Michael Holbrook reported that the Board did meet on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of May to discuss many topics such as rolling the field and the Shelter proposal.

The Minutes for May were approved by all members present.

Birthdays for June were noted by Ron Melga as follows: Martini Sidden, Kent Cale, Jullian Mashburn, Jeffery Stubbs, Tom Dollenmayer, Kevin Dollarhite, Ethan Horn, Charles Long, John Welcome, Wayne Miller, Kent Rogers and Stephen Usher Sr..

Michael Holbrook gave many thanks and recognition to all of the people who have recently worked on the field, including but no limited to: Chris Baker, Butch Pendergrass, James Miller, Rod Stauffer and Chico. Michael also thanked Mark Kurtz who donated his 50/50 winnings from last month back to the club.

Michael also thanked George Sudermann and Charlie Lasley who donated various model planes for events.

Tommy Cheek was given thanks for getting the roller price negotiated down to a great rate.

Timothy Anderson was voted back into the club as a provisional member. It was mentioned that Timothy was the artist who originated the RAMS Sweat Bee Logo.

James Miller reported a bank balance of \$18,838.08. Rod Stauffer asked to get together with James to help him understand the new format. The budget was approved by all members present.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Mark Pfaff, CD of the Heli Event asked if the club would spend \$150.00 for night lights for the event. The request was approved by all members present.

Butch Pendergrass mentioned that Derick Smith will be at the Warbird Event cutting vinyl decals, but he would need a CAD file before proceeding with the shirts. It was suggested to send an email out to everyone to see what kind of interest we might have in placing a shirt order.

Butch also mentioned having a bunch of cool stuff for raffles for the Warbird Event. The first (50) pilots will get a nice metal plaque.

George Welcome mentioned he will have an Ultra Hots, fully outfitted, that he will be selling tickets for at the Giant Scale Event and that everything else is going well with (12) pilots already signed up.

Ken Blackford mentioned that Michael did get the Swap Meet on Facebook. Ken also spoke to the fact that they are getting people signing up that have never been to our event before which is a little exciting, speculating that perhaps maybe we will get more people because it is advertised as having a lot more tables. (22) tables are already sold.

Howard Bass and Chris Baker had nothing new to report for the electric event.

Michael talked about the Shelters in that last month himself and many others voted against it so we wouldn't deplete the entire funds from the club, even though many people still wanted the Shelter. Butch Pendergrass proposed putting in 20'x 80' Pole Barn with concrete slab for \$9,700.00+. Ken Blackford provided CAD drawings. It was asked and confirmed that the reason for moving the building forward was mainly due to parking during events. It was mentioned that there would be conduit ran under the slab, but it was stated that we don't have to spend money on running the electrical at the same time. It was also stated that the project would begin the following weekend after the Giant Scale Event in September. The plan was described as the first weekend would be used to take down and remove the old building. The next weekend would entail drilling and setting the 6" x 6" post, the next weekend would involve cutting the post to the right height, followed by setting the top perimeter boards followed by laying the tin, followed by running the guttering and of course, pouring the slab somewhere in between. Michael Holbrook spoke about how the board really thought about the Shelter and how to complete the project without completely depleting the club funds. Michael then asked Butch Pendergrass if he would partner up with Michael and loan the club \$4,000.00 each for 0% interest over three years. Butch said he would be glad to do so. He also mentioned that Ken Blackford figured that the club could probably raise about \$3,000.00 if they asked for donations from the members, but it was decided to hold off on doing so. It was mentioned that such an investment will reflect very well on the club. A vote was taken to approve the \$8,000.00 loan and proceed with the project. It was approved by all (33) members at the meeting.

Michael spoke to the man doing the re-seeding at the field who said that we do have a lot of Bermuda Grass already. He also said that he will re-plant, kill off weeds, fertilize and come back in the fall with some Rye Grass in the fall. Michael asked Butch and other people if we are getting a good deal and learned that we are in fact getting dirt cheap deal. He did ask if someone could take a bag of seed donated by Charlie Lasley out to the field to give to the man. It was mentioned that the original price did not include the Rye Grass. Michael said he would check on the actual quote to see if it included the Rye. After checking Michael discovered that Rye Grass was not in the written quote.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Michael mentioned that he did get great response from the members to approve the cost of having the field rolled. Tommy Cheek was credited for getting the roller for only \$420.00 instead of \$640.00. A formal vote was taken to approve the cost. All members present approved the cost.

Tommy Cheek suggested drilling a well that could gather water that could be used to draw from to help water the field. The equipment would be donated, but we would need someone to come out in the evenings to hook it up and someone in the mornings to shut it off. It was stated that the club did the very same thing in years past when they did have a pond by the Heli Deli to draw from. Many types of sprinkler heads and equipment was discussed. No motion was made to proceed, but the idea was positively received.

James Miller suggested a way to get members to support all of the events through out the year, that perhaps we could offer a "season pass" for attending all of the events at a slight discount. He stated that all (5) events would cost \$105.00 and perhaps we could offer said pass for only \$90.00 or even \$80.00 as an incentive. Many options on how to pay were discussed. It was discussed who the discount would be offered to.....members and or anyone. It was also suggested that we could only offer a discount

for the following event to get people to come back to the following event. It was also stated that visitors will most likely not come all the way back to the field for only a \$5.00 - \$10.00 discount. No motion was made to proceed, but it was asked for everyone to think about it for next year.

Howard Bass suggested buying several large catch basins to catch water that could be used to pressure wash things. No motion was made to proceed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15

The 50 / 50 was won by Charlie Lasley.....\$45.00/ \$45.00.

Ken A. Blackford

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