

Tuscarora R/C Flying Club

Meeting Minutes

7-11-2022

I. Call to order

Pollack called to order the regular meeting of the Tuscarora R/C Flying Club at 7:00 pm on July 11th, 2022, at the Tuscarora State Park Office.

II. Roll call

Ed led the members in the pledge of allegiance.

There were 5 members, and 3 officers present, Kyle Snyder had employment obligations however joined in live by phone.

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Kyle Snyder read the minutes from the last meeting. The minutes were approved as read. **Jim Dunn** made a motion to accept the minutes as read, **Larry Smith** seconded the motion.

Scott White read the treasures report, the report was approved as read. **Jim Dunn** made a motion to accept the report as read, **Randy Grube** seconded the motion.

IV. Old Business

- a) **Food Services and Landing Fees** – The club has to act as an educational, religious, and charitable organization to be in compliance with the state and IRS. No part of the club funds may be a benefit to any individual member, trustee, officer or private person. We also cannot make any money on the land used for the field. The club must act as a 501(c)7. If the club would dissolve, the money and/or assets would go to an independent legal entity, then to A.M.A. for dissolution
- b) **RV Camping Close to the Field** – Ed contacted the Bavarian Baseball Organization; they will charge \$25 per camper up to 4 and then \$100 for as many as we can fit. The baseball field is within one mile of the field. The owner of the White Birch Golf Course will offer space for approximately 3 RVs on their paved lot.
- c) **Getting Things Done for Events and Maintenance** – It may be a benefit to have a schedule of people to get the field ready for and/or clean-up for an event. This will include general annual maintenance and hopefully eliminate the confusion of who is doing what task and when.

- d) **Flight Tables** – as time permits in Randy Grube’s schedule, he will build more tables and only asks to be reimbursed for the materials. The first table he built was a quality and appreciated donation to the club. Jim Dunn has been putting carpet on the uprights on some of the tables currently at the field. Wheels are needed for the existing tables. Ed can get wheels and steel for axels at cost.

V. New business

- a) **Phone call From Mark Radcliff** – Ed got a personal call from Mark and mainly in regards to a woman in Nesquehoning. Her husband passed away recently. His drones, helis, and planes will be for sale. Her husband did not know our club existed. She said that her husband always wished he could have found a local club to become a member. Ed reminded the members there is a rash of residents in the immediate area not knowing the existence of the field and/or club. This is an area that needs our attention. Ed will take photos of what aircraft is for sale and send it out to the members. Also, Mark Radcliff is interested in everything the club has been doing and is planning a visit. Also, he was impressed with some of our efforts in promoting the events especially adding the car show.
- b) **Doc Bobick** – Is moving out of the area and looking to downsize his fleet. Ed got photos from him and has sent them to the members. Contact Frank for any of the planes you are interested in.
- c) **2022 Aerorama** – Ed had flyers printed and handed out for everyone to post around town. **Tentatively**, the Saturday or Sunday car show will be from 10am-2pm with flying from 10am-5pm. The night show will be from 8pm-10pm in the evening. At the 2pm close of the car show, there will be a cruise to the Mary-D Sports Complex and a secondary car show. This will be held in conjunction with the Mary-D and Tuscarora fire companies and first responders.
- d) **Polka Joe Manjack** will be at the field doing a live Polka Show broadcast Sunday morning from 10am to 1pm. This is always great advertising for the club. Sunday flying will be from 10am until the cows come home.
- e) **Flight instruction** – for the 2022 flying season no new members signed up. However, one of the kids (jr. member) that soloed last year encouraged her father to join the club for 2023, he did. This year a few of the club members are getting soloed in a different discipline.
- f) **Military Advertising Campaign** – It went for the whole month of June. It had a great yield of 3 new members in addition to getting our name out.

- g) **Club events** – is it still of interest to keep doing events? There are only a few members that step up to participate in events.
- h) **Electronic Record of Club Membership** – it was discussed previously to have all member cards sent out electronically. For the few members that need a hard copy one will be printed for them.
- i) **Dues Increase** – For members that miss 3 consecutive meetings, the following annual dues will be \$100. If you come to 4 meetings a year, then your dues would be the conventional \$70. For the youth membership that miss 3 consecutive meetings they only have to pay the initial fee of \$10 annually. Having more members at meetings would be a better way to have everyone's ideas heard. This will be further discussed and voted on at the next meeting.
- j) **Phone Chain** – Ed personally heard several disturbing conversations at the field that were less than positive about the club. Be careful of how things are said about the club in public. If someone has an issue with a member please address it in private. Several people have come to the field to visit and don't hear positive things about the club. This comes directly from the members themselves.
- k) **Local Clubs** – In 2021/22 there have been 9 clubs that dissolved. What happened to those clubs and flying members of those clubs? It may be a benefit to have several local clubs work together and be under one entity.....ours.

VI. Adjournment

Tim Vincent made a motion to adjourn the meeting. EdPollack adjourned the meeting at 8:10pm.

Minutes submitted by: Kyle Snyder

Minutes approved by: Members