

Tuscarora R/C Flying Club

Meeting Minutes

4-5-21

I. Call to order

Ed Pollack called to order the regular meeting of the Tuscarora R/C Flying Club at 7:06pm on April 5th, 2021 at the DiMaggio's.

II. Roll call

Joe St. Onge led the members in the pledge of allegiance.

There were **15** members present.

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Kyle Snyder read the minutes from the last meeting. The minutes were approved as read. **Joe St. Onge** made a motion to accept the minutes as read, **Jim Dunn** 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, **Dave Kessler** seconded the motion.

IV. Child clearances – After several conversation with various areas of state government agencies, a recommendation was made to make it mandatory each flight instructor working with children have Act 54 of 2018 clearances. Also, a parent/guardian permission form and medical release form must be signed and in possession of the instructor before training begins. If a parent or guardian desires to leave their child at the airfield, it is at the discretion of the flight instructor. A state recommendation on what needs to be on the form was read. It was also suggested, since the application is free, all the club members could have their clearances.

- a) The official copy of the club charter was shown.
- b) Night fly – Things are setup for a good event, there is a radio commercial playing and it was announced to other clubs. The Tamaqua Girl Scouts will be providing food. Flyers were handed out to members to put out in the community. Several members said they have aircraft to fly at night. It was suggested to email all the members to come up and spectate even if they do not have anything to fly in the dark. night fly.

V. New business

- a) March was aviation month for girls. Ed had shirts made for the several girls that are actively learning how to fly.
- b) Radio commercials – presently there is 2 commercials on WMGH. This was played for everyone to hear. It was suggested to advertise on the radio to recruit members. Possibly have a commercial play every few days before an event. Everyone is in favor of doing this and adding to the Aerorama commercial about having a reduced price to join the club.
- c) Joe St Onge rolled the field. Jim Dunn made a mention of this and everyone thanked Joe for rolling the field.
- d) S.T.E.A.M. – November 8th is national S.T.E.A.M. day. AMA is celebrating this along with aeromodelling. There is a great deal of knowledge kids may learn alongside of flying models, which coincides with S.T.E.A.M. approach. Marian Catholic had approached the club last year it would noting it would be a great place to put up a display. This will be discussed at a future meeting.
- e) Tanks at the field – Ed received an email from a person from the area asking if they could use the field for remote control tanks. Ed reached out to AMA to ask about this. They said tanks fit in as a surface vehicle as long as they do not weigh more then 25lbs and larger than 36 inches. Jim Graver asked if the tank people would be required to pay dues. It was mentioned to the potential members aircraft would have priority. Joe St Onge. Raised a concern that the tanks may tear up the grass. If the tanks damage any part of the field the tank operator will be responsible to mend it.
- f) Jim Graver suggested to raise the youth dues, the consensus was to make a change in the by-laws to raise youth dues to \$25. Jim Dunn made a motion to raise the youth dues to \$25. Larry Smith seconded. All present in favor.
- g) Rockets at the field – Ed was contacted by someone asking about using the field for launching rockets. They already have AMA and are part of the national rocket society. The person who wants to use the field left a \$10 donation at the park office for the club.
- h) Club Shed – right now there are many awards and plaques for the club that are held in a spare room in Ed’s house. As of now, it may be a long time until we can have a meeting at the park office. It was suggested to have a shed put at the field to house these and other club assets.

In the recent service agreement, the state had added in that a building maybe placed by the field. Ed looked into metal buildings and prebuilt sheds made locally. Jim Graver asked if the AMA insurance would cover the shed if anything would happen to it. Jim Graver asked who would have access to the shed. All members would have a key to use the shed. Jim Dunn made a motion to investigate pricing and getting a shed. Tim Vincent seconded the motion.

VI. Adjournment

Tim Vincent made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ed Pollack adjourned the meeting at 8:51pm.

Minutes submitted by: Kyle Snyder

Minutes approved by: Members