

# **Tuscarora R/C Flying Club**

## **Meeting Minutes**

3-7-22

### **I. Call to order**

Ed Pollack called to order the regular meeting of the Tuscarora R/C Flying Club at 7:10 PM on March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at the Tuscarora State Park Office.

### **II. Roll call**

**Ed Pollack** led the members in the pledge of allegiance.

There were **9** members present.

### **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, **Jim Graver** seconded the motion.

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

### **IV. Old Business**

- a) Car Cruise: Ed talked with the Tuscarora Fire Chief and discussed the possibility of it being a larger event. The only limit would be the space available at the township field. Discussed was the possibility of the local fire companies joining together support and advertise for the car cruise.
- b) Club House: Ed tried emailing contacts of members who have passed on in order to reach their families. This was to inquire about a memorial fund to help sponsor the club house, the emails came back as undeliverable. Ed is going to send out a bulk email to everyone associated with the club to get the word out. Jim Graver asked if the club house idea should be put on hold. He is concerned that the money in the club account is to cover maintenance, mowing, and other expenses. He is also concerned that there is a possibility of losing the flying site in the next two years. The club house plan has been previously voted upon and passed with majority approval. Presently, the only thing holding it back is the financing.

- c) Memorial Plaque for departed members: Ed thought it would be nice gesture to memorialize the members who are no longer with us. The idea is to have some sort of plaque with brass name tags that will be added for each. This will be strategically placed at the field for all to see. All members present were in favor of making a plaque and having the tags.

## V. New business

- a) 2022 Club insurance and charter is taken care of and in effect.
- b) Flying to music: The idea of having someone fly either a plane or heli to music was brought up. Sam Miller said in the past someone would be out in the field, flying erratically, acting like they didn't know how to fly while someone else was actually flying the plane behind the scene. Having novelty acts were and are crowd pleasers at past events. Events, such as this, was suggested for this year's aerorama. Bringing the club to a higher level of professionalism and public interest is our priority and is something most of us agree upon and strive to achieve. We are asking everyone to consider exploring this adventure. *(If need be, with this project or any other club related project, we will dedicate time and assistance in any way possible to help each other in these positive adventures).*
- c) Speakers on the poles: Ed brought up the idea of permanently mounting PA speakers 16' up on the upright sign poles. Several members were concerned that these speakers would be stolen. That idea was rejected.
- d) Flight tables: Ed talked to the managers of Metal & Steel Service Center (aka Fazzio) metals and got information about where to get the aluminum in Patterson New Jersey. Ed will make calls to get pricing for the aluminum. Jim Dunn suggested using pressure treated wood and making 2 new tables if the aluminum is too expensive. Everyone was in favor of using the aluminum however the expense and having them stolen became a concern. Jim Dunn said all the starting tables need to be freshened up with new plastic at the front and new carpet on the uprights. The plan of all aluminum flight benches was rejected.
- e) AMA Brick: In the clubs' name and with the AMA number, Ed purchased a brick to be placed in the AMA walkway "Hall of Fame" for Leo Humenick. The idea was brought up to revise the bylaws so each member who passes will have a donated and named brick at the AMA. Jim Graver suggested to donate a book at a local library in memory of the passed person. A vote will be held next month on this topic. The AMA brick suggestion was rejected.

- f) May is armed service appreciation month: Ed suggested any new member who is an active-duty, or retired military, guard or reserve, veteran or military spouse, will get a free one-year membership. All were in favor however wording of the poster became an issue in contention and was unresolved. The idea of military appreciation membership was rejected.
- g) AMA Gold Standard: This requires the club donates to a non-profit organization. Ed recommended donating to the SPCA and/or local fire department(s) etc. It will be discussed as to who will get a donation, type and/or amount from the club. That suggestion was rejected.
- h) Email club cards: The idea to email club member cards was brought up at the last meeting. Those members who don't have an email will still get their cards by mail. All were in favor.
- i) Flight instruction: Jim Dunn is going to start students on May 15<sup>th</sup> and have them solo by July 1<sup>st</sup>. There will be instruction on each Wednesday and Sunday just as last year. Jim is the only flight instructor approved to be an instructor.
- j) Radio Commercial: Ed will prepare a commercial and it will run from March 29<sup>th</sup> to the day of the night fly on April 30<sup>th</sup>.
- k) Kneoble's Grove: Ed contacted their office and got information about their schedules, pricing and catering. A plan for club members, families, and friends to enjoy a club sponsored picnic at the park with transportation provided from the flying field to the park for all. That idea was rejected.
- l) Port-a-john: Tim Vincent stopped at Priority Septic to get pricing for the new year. It would be \$80 a month for a regular style and \$90 for a handicapped unit. All members present were in favor of using Priority Septic. Tim will follow up to get all the needed information. Larry smith made a motion to have the port-a-potty at the field by the middle of March. Jim Dunn seconded the motion.
- m) Preparation for the night show: this will be discussed at the next meeting. Jim Dunn mentioned about having someone to direct traffic and have a donation container for the event. Kyle Snyder suggested to ask the Tuscarora fire company to help with the traffic.

## **VI. Adjournment**

Jim Dunn made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ed Pollack adjourned the meeting at 8:11pm.

Minutes submitted by: Kyle Snyder

Minutes approved by: Members