



Green Valley R/C Flyers Meeting Minutes October 9, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Jim Trimbell, President, at 7:00 P.M.

Officers present: Jim Trimbell, Phil Korth, Frank Hite, Jerry Case.

17 members attended. Ron Simonds and Gerry Verity returned for the Winter.

Guests: None.

New Members: Jacob Baily - not present.

Member Status: Jim Knudson is staying in Green Valley but is getting out of the hobby for now.

Treasurer's Report: Frank Hite presented the report for September 2017. The opening balance was \$4.978. Income was \$150 including \$80 from new member dues and \$70 from donations for hardware giveaways. Expenses were zero. The period-end operating balance was \$5,128.

Frank reported that the tractor had a flat tire and that Glen Aldridge helped to repair it.

Secretary's Report: Jerry Case read the meeting minutes for September 11, 2017.

Old business

- **Flying fields –**
 - **Twin Buttes:**
 - Weed treating chemicals were received and are stored in the shed.
 - The runway, pit area, and north end of the parking lot were weed spot treated.
 - Mesquite trees are being sprayed in the expansion area to prepare them for cutting down.
 - The warning about reporting loose cattle was reposted on the bulletin board.
 - Chairs were brought up from FICO, cleaned, and stored under the shelter.
 - **FICO:**
 - Members were reminded that old LIPO batteries need to be clipped, taped, and left in the blue bucket at the shed. Frank has been taking them to the county transfer station.
 - FICO mowed the flying field area. It looks really good.
 - Gary Johnson picked up six new chairs from Walmart to go with the four folding chairs donated by Dave Johnson.
 - Ken Fleshman suggested that we need a program on battery safety this Winter.



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- The entry road still has the pot hole and low area, but FICO needs to schedule a repair.
- Members must be very careful about raising dust on the entry road especially close to harvest time. Drive slowly when entering the parking lot.
- A large crash site was found out in the field. Small pieces were left behind by the pilot and were raked up and bagged by Jim T, Gary J, and Jerry Case. Jim bought a scratch rake for cleaning crash sites and put it into the shed. Frank Hite is keeping a box of bags inside of the trash can at the field.
- **Estimate for Treating Twin Buttes Expansion Area:** Wildcat Exterminating provided a \$675 estimate for treating the expansion area. Consensus is that we should not proceed with the expense. Concern is that a loss of members in December will reduced our club member. Money has already been spent on the tractor, sprayers, chemicals, etc. We can get a work party together to cut down the dead mesquites later this year.
- **Safety Issues:** Ken Fleshman will go through the two first aid kits next month and replace old materials. Procedure of hand-launching planes from the ends of the safety fence is working.
- **Web site report:** Photos were added for October. Video prepared by a friend of Jeff Brown was posted on the Video 1 page of our web site.
- **AMA News:** Congress passed a six-month extension on the FAA's current authorization. Our hobby is protected for another six months.
- **Membership Report:** Now 79 members.
- **Local R/C Event:** October 17-22, Tucson Aerobatic Shootout at the TIMPE field. Saturday is pattern flying and free style. Sunday is free style only.

New Business:

- **Drone Hitting a Commercial Aircraft:** Story about a drone knocking off a winglet of a commercial airliner was faked.
- **Bob Orr:** Bob is home for a long rehab from his third knee implant. He is doing jig saw puzzles to pass the time.
- **January elections:** the board would like to resign. We need candidates for the positions. We also need field managers and safety officers at both fields.

Show and Tell:



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- **Video by friend of Jeff Brown:** Available on YouTube and our web site. Shown to the group.
- **RC goodies:** Hardware and supplies from Jim Knudsen were available for the taking.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:35 PM