

## December 2020 Meeting Minutes

President Pro-Tem - Vince Bell called the meeting to order at 6:30

President Pro-Tem - Bell introduced the club officers:

President - Don Bailey - Resigned as President to move out of state

Vice President - Vince Bell

Secretary - Mark Weeks

Treasurer - Vaughan Houser

Safety Officer - Dart Sharp

15 Club Members were in attendance, with no guests

Motion was made to accept minutes as posted - Motion was Passed

### OFFICER REPORTS:

Vice President - While the Christmas party for 2020 has been canceled the Freeze-In will be held on January 2nd starting at 10:00 am

Secretary - We are currently at 63 members

Treasurer - Funds are in good shape with all bills paid

Safety Officer - "Nobody died" All kidding aside, noting to report everyone is doing a good job

Field Manager - Bryan and Jay applied a coat of Winter fertilizer on the runway after made the last mowing of the year. The Cherry tree has been dropped and the logs are waiting for the Ranger's to pick them

up. Thanks to Bruce and Ben for taking that project on. Bryan has also been looking for used Porta potties and has not had much luck yet. Lastly the Barn looks to be on its last legs, the main roof beam has now cracked and the remaining roof is sagging. It won't be long until it falls. Please be careful and don't hang out around the North end of the barn.

Newsletter Editor - Always looking for stories, photos and information you would like to share

Webmaster - Pics, news and comments are always wanted for the website.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

Nominations for Officers: President: Mark Weeks

VP: Bryan Reightley, Paul Dibble

Safety Officer: Chet Blake

Secretary: Ron Swift

Treasurer: Dart Sharp

Special Service award: Mark Weeks - Jim Stewart - Steve Anderson

There was much discussion regarding how to conduct the vote in December.

With the COVID pandemic number on the rise again, it was decided by the attendees of the meeting and the Board that we should slightly differ from the normal voting process.

Mark will send out a email to all members letting them know that all nominations will need to be in to the board by November 29th. This is ten days before the December Meeting. Mark will email all members the list of candidates for candidate voting. The Voting period will open on December 2st 1 week before the meeting.

We will be using Survey monkey to make voting easy and secure. We will send the link one week before the meeting also.

The below verbiage is from the meeting when we allowed e-mail voting and as I hope you can see we are still abiding by the wishes from the membership while dealing with COVID.

"It was decided that an email notice of nominations for the 5 Executive Board Positions plus the Special Service Award will be emailed to the membership at least 5 days before the date of the election. The entitled voter MUST Reply to ALL (Meaning all 5 Executive Board members) by 6:30pm 24 hrs. before the election. In doing so the legitimate vote(s) will be counted on election night."

Field Needs a Fall Fertilizer treatment, Volunteers?: Bruce has volunteered to spread Fertilizer. Bryan will get in touch with him once its on site.

Presentation of the Budget: The budget was presented and after a couple of adjustments, adding some extra funds for Porta Potty maintenance. Also \$1200.00 was added to the field maintenance portion of the budget to address parking needs and a possible turnaround.

The Cherry Tree topic was discussed and how would the best way to remove it, Bryan will check with the Scouts to see if they have a cherry picker or some ideas as to how best to drop it down. We also talked about hiring a tree guy to drop it down.

Bryan will also check on used Porta-Potty cost and an ADA size cost, and report back to us.

NW Model Hobby Expo News: It looks like the EXPO has been postponed to May. Ron will keep us informed as time get closer or changes occur.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Elections were held this year Via Survey Monkey and we had a total of 26 voting members. Thanks to all those who voted.

Your 2021 Buzzards officers are

President: Mark Weeks

VP: Bryan Reightley

Safety Officer: Chet Blake

Secretary: Ron Swift

Treasurer: Dart Sharp

Special Service award: Mark Weeks

The Cherry Tree was taken down thanks to Bruce and Ben, and Bruce's dad. Also a thank you to the others that helped move the brush to the burn location. Thanks again to them.

There has been a photographer lady that has been using the field and surrounding area. She does have permission with Ranger Dave but ONLY IF we are not using the field. We are the ones who have a lease, not her. Any questions contact one of the board. We do not want to cause any issues but we are required to follow the AMA rules by not flying over people so when she comes onto the field this is an issue. Also they have been parking their cars on the road right at the end of the runway which is a safety concern. The Rangers are aware and will address it with her.

IT was noticed in the latest AMA magazine that the Buzzards are sponsoring the Hobby Expo. Ron explained that it is a formality as for the past few years one of the Buzzards Contest Directors have CD'd the indoor flying portion of the EXPO. The club is not obligated in any way for funds or has liability in the event. Ron has once again offered sell tables and there will be a club booth. The date has been moved from January till May. More to come.

We have a little over \$569.50 to donate to the Sky Valley Food Bank. Vaughan has offered to stop by and drop off a check. Bryan offered to make up the difference so we can donate an even \$600.00.

Steve Higgins reported on the lighting in the container. He has met with Jay and they have a plan to get it installed soon.

A reminder that it is FAA Drone renewal time. \$5.00 for 3 yrs. <https://FAADronezone.faa.gov/#/>

Make sure to click on I FLY under the Exception for recreational flyers

Motion was made to get gift cards for the Rangers as last year. Motion was passed Vaughan will purchase them.

**PROGRAM:** None for December

**Sharing:** Jim Stewart showed his latest Balsa project looks like it is coming along really well, he says he only has another 20 or so hours to put into, before he gets it in the air.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 8:10pm