March 14th Barnyard Buzzards Meeting.

President Mark Weeks Called Meeting to Order @ 6:37 Pm.

Introduction of Officers and guests: 11 Members in person and zero on Zoom. We had 2 guests. Walt Drexler - Flew Nitro Stuff and is getting back into RC. Is planning on Joining in May. Doug was there as well...

President - Mark Weeks

Vice President - Ron Swift

Secretary - Steve Higgins

Treasurer - Dart Sharp

Safety Officer - Vince Bell

Minutes from February Meeting approval: Motion was made 2nd and passed.

## OFFICER REPORTS:

President: Just a reminder that Dues are Due January but MUST be paid by the end of the Business meeting or penalty occurs

Vice President: Car event March 25th, Mark has offered to CD Event.

Will be doing contests much like other clubs. NW Model Hobby Expo in April at the Fairgrounds. Will also have the Flight Simulator. We could use help to set up the club booth on Friday morning. David Sweeny had the best flight. Most cheeseburgers eaten award was Brian Douma. It was a good event, only 9 members were out there. Flying RC at night is tough, when the plane is coming at your or going away it can be hard to tell which way you are going.

There were questions about the organization of the car/crawler event. Mark talked about the crawlers and racing. There was also a question about what we did for events during the glider event.

Mini Quad Events will start next month if you have any questions, please talk to a board member or Paul Dibble.

Secretary: Currently 46 (Corrected from 44) Members who have paid for 2023... One New Member Mitch Farabaugh.

Treasurer: Good Shape at this point, we have a few food bills coming in.

Safety Officer: No accidents or near misses... Remember this is the wet time of year make sure you have a buddy. Just be careful.

Field Manager: May hit 60 degrees this weekend! So, it's a good time to get the fertilizer down. Need to get the mowers out to the field. We are talking with some landscape people to get the grass back and kill the moss. The State has been out a couple of times, so hopefully they are looking at removing the beaver dams.

Newsletter Editor: Ron brought copies of the March Newsletter. Please be sure to send Ron/Mark pictures so we can publish them in the Newsletter and on the website.

If you see an issue with the website, please let Mark or some on the board know.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

We have started the FRIA process. Dart brought up that Flight test seems to have less rules than the AMA regarding flying. Mark is still waiting to hear back for both the AMA and Flite Test.

The Scouts have a Electrical Permit in hand and are working on getting the power pole installed. o Mark has offered to assist as needed.

It was noticed that the pole between the two small houses is also in the process of having a new power pole installed. Mark Will keep the club informed. No changes yet. Ranger Dave is getting a assistant to help out.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Mark gave the Special Service Award to Ron Swift today. Thanks, Ron, for your service!

- o We will start having our business meeting for the summer months starting in June. Meetings will be Saturday mornings at 10am. It was suggested that we start this in May. It would be the first Saturday in May. then through the rest of the summer it would be the 2nd Saturday. We may lose the venue at Alfy's so we may need to find somewhere else to hold winter meetings.
- o Looking for help planning out and construction of the crawler track.
- o Keep a lookout for bird/doll houses that we can use for the tank events/track.
- o Gate combination will be reset Saturday 3/18. Steve will send a new Combo to all current members.
- o Mark picked up a couple of fire extinguishers and will be installing them this week. One will be behind the frequency board, and the other will be in the club house.
- o Start looking at the summer project list and see if there is something you wish to do. Contact Mark and he will set you up.
- o Proposed work party date for April 22nd?
- o Honey Buckets will be emptied in the next week or so.

o Mower Maintenance has anyone done any? This will need to be done prior to the work party. Paul offered to get the battery or maintenance items with his mil discount at Lowe's.

o Several months ago, it was discussed that we were going to work with the scouts on an aviation badge. They have had a change in their organization, so we are waiting to see what or how these changes affect us helping them with this.

o It was asked how many would be interested in learning how to laser cut balsa. Some were interested. Rich said he's had one for 20 years...

o On the website, are the older planes for sale still on the website.

o It was asked to change the picture on FB since the barn is no longer there.

SHOW AND TELL: None.

PROGRAM: None.

**ADJOURNMENT:** adjourning the meeting 7:20pm.