#### May 14<sup>th</sup> 2024 Buzzards Meeting

### President Steve Higgins Called Meeting to Order @ 6:30pm

Introduction of Officers and Guests: We had 13 members and 0 guests in attendance.

President – Steve Higgins Vice President – Jay Wellan Secretary – Mark Weeks Treasurer – Dart Sharp Safety Officer – Michael Conniff – On Vacation

Minutes from the March meeting we approved as posted.

### **OFFICER REPORTS:**

President: In old/new business

Vice President: Jay reported on the car event, it went very well. Also May 18<sup>th</sup> will be our spring glider event make sure you can attend as it is always a good time.

Secretary:

• Currently we have 43 paid members.

Treasurer:

• All bills are paid and finances are in good shape.

Safety Officer:

• Nothing new to report. There was one mishap with a Maiden flight but no damage occurred to anything or body except the plane its self. Just a reminder to do a good preflight and maybe even have someone watch over your shoulder to double check. Field Manager:

- PUD has energized the powerline. We now have power to the pole. We ask that you are mindful and do not use cords that are too long or use to light of gauge wire. A good rule of thumb would be a 12 or 10 gauge cord for 150 feet. This should allow most chargers or other small equipment to work without any issues
- I will be spreading Fertilizer and seed this week.
- Mark asked for help with the mowing. It's a easy task, Please sign up if you can.
- Mark started the process of mowing the overfly area. We need to take it slow as the area still has some wet areas.
- We are looking for a laptop to use at the car track. Steve has lent the club one of his older machines. Jason said he might have a line on one also.

Newsletter Editor:

• If you have any pictures that you may have taken in the field, please send them to Ron Swift and/or Mark Weeks, and we will get them on the website and in the newsletter.

Web Editor:

• The website is up and running; the forum area is starting to get a little traction. Please post. If you have any issues please let me know. As always, we can use pictures and stories for the site.

# OLD BUSINESS:

# Buzzards "Honey Do" List.

Some of the items that we are looking to do are:

- Finish Setting up the awnings.
- Install the new awning up at the track.
- Organize the Container
- Weed-Wack the general area. Entry area, Parking hill, and upper parking/Crawler area.
- Treat weeds in the parking area (Torch/Weed Spray)
- Repair Flight Tables and Stations

## NEW BUSINESS:

Ron Swift made a motion to get a plant for Rick Weber who recently had surgery and is now home and recovering. We wish him well. Motion was seconded and passed.

Steve brought up an idea that we do a foam group build. Flight test and others have some good plans that would be good for this. Looking at the fall time frame. More to come.

**PROGRAM:** Builders contest. Jim Stewart brought a foam board plane that he found plans for on You-Tube. He did a great job upsizing 4 times.

He then made a motion that Kevin should also be included in the contest as he typically shows up at the field with 2 to 6 3D printed planes he is designing and building. It was unanimously decided that Kenvin should be awarded 1<sup>st</sup> place, Jim then took 2nd place.

#### ADJOURNMENT: 7:11