

## August 13<sup>th</sup> 2024 Meeting Minutes

President Steve Higgins Called Meeting to Order @ 6:30

Introduction of Officers and Guests: 11 Members and two guests in attendance, Guests Ronald Swenson and Rich stopped by and set up a time to check out the field.

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

Minutes from July's meeting approval: Motion to approve was passed.

### **OFFICER REPORTS:**

President:

Steve thanked Ron Swift for putting on the auction, When Steve talked to his wife about the event she said he should have donated his extra stuff.

He also thanked Dean for his being the contest director for the fun fly. It was a great event with the highlight being the egg carry. Only 2 eggs survived the flights.

Paul Dibble was also thanked for running the Heli event. We had 6 participants this year with a couple of guys who had not done the event before, (Jason and Dean). No crashes or equipment failures this year. Steve also thanked Paul for not participating so he could claim 1<sup>st</sup> place again and he is not claiming he has a dynasty going now.

Vice President:

Jay reported on the past events also and reminded that our campout is coming up Sept 1<sup>st</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup>. If you are planning on camping at the field let Mark know so he can let the scouts know how many will be there.

Secretary: 46 members, Don Bailey is back in town for a year long stint with Boeing so he has rejoined our ranks.

Treasurer: Mark reported for Dart. All bills paid to date.

Safety Officer:

No injuries to damage to report. Ron Swift brought up a couple of concerns: When using call-outs make sure you are heard and please reply when you do hear a call-out. He also stated that there are no walking sticks to use when traveling off field to retrieve downed aircraft. Mark and Michael will check it out and report back. Also remember to use the Walkie-Talkie's while out retrieving.

Field Manager:

Mark is asking for Volunteers to help with the mowing. Please sign-up for a spot. If you need help let him know and he will guide you through the process.

Mark has set up a tentative plan to mow the outer field Friday the 16<sup>th</sup>.

With our tractor being out of service, he contacted the scouts and they have lent us their mower to use.

We are looking for a couple of volunteers to help with the blocked culvert on the North side of the road.

Mark and Michael still are working on installing the yard light. Should be done soon

We are planning on getting the conduit finished between the power pole and the club house in September. We may need to rent a piece of equipment to do it.

Newsletter Editor:

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

Web Editor: The website is up and running; if you want an area added to the forum, let me know. As always, we can use pictures and stores for the site.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

No open items

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

There was a motion made to purchase the conduit and fittings to complete the run from the power pole to the clubhouse. Estimated price 500.00 to 700.00. Motion was accepted.

There was asked if anyone would like to be in a committee to help source clay soil for the car track.

Paul Reported on the Heli event, Steve 1<sup>st</sup>, Michael 2<sup>nd</sup>, and Jay took 3<sup>rd</sup>. He said that the event went great.

### **PROGRAM:**

Spektrum Updates: Steve shared a couple of videos dealing with the new Spektrum Transmitter and receiver updates. The NX series transmitters have had a major upgrade and there are a lot of new features in the upgrades. The links are below and will be added to the website, in the builders corner area.

Spektrum Update pages.

<https://www.horizonhobby.com/blog-article-plus-firmware-update.html>

Wifi Update of NX

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QUUcy9t8jRw>

Cabled Update of NX

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Tenbg7L6Guk>

How to update Spektrum Receivers

<https://youtube.com/watch?v=mQPyrjs8Gfg>

**ADJOURNMENT:** 7:00pm