February 2018 Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:10pm with 31 members present.

The minutes for the January meeting, as previously emailed to the members, was approved unanimously by a vote of 31 - 0.

The club sang "Happy Birthday" to George Shrek who turned 82.

No new members were voted into the club.

Club Treasure Ken Kayser reported the February Operating Balance of \$9,882.60 with a total bank balance, including the Future Fund, of \$16,882.60. It was noted that Ken added an additional \$2000 to the Future Fund from the 2017 carryover to start accumulating funds for future major projects.

OLD BUSINESS

- It was mentioned that the club "By-Law" changes were approved by a vote of (33 yes) (1 no).
- James Miller reported the status of the new FPV flying site was under way and that several people were out Saturday morning helping clear out excessive brush along the edges of the designated parcel of land. He also mentioned that there would be a FPV Fun Fly on February 17th at 9:00 AM to help raise money for the site. He also stated that current 2018 race schedule would be to have a race on the second Saturday during the months of March thru June and resume in the months of September thru December. Tom Dollenmayer mentioned that he talked to Tony Stillman at AMA who stated that since this new parcel of land is already owned by one of our current landlords that nothing else is required in terms of additional insurance. Tom also reported that Tony thanked our club for opening-up and supporting this facet of the hobby. Ken Blackford mentioned that he is working with James on all of the new signage that will be needed up at the new site and also down at the main shelters / flight-line that will clearly state that no FPV pilot should use 2.4gHz as their video transmitter frequency. Other frequency information will also be published on said signs.

NEW BUSINESS

- The year-end Giant Scale Event dates were approved as October 5th thru the 7th by a vote of (31 yes) (0 no).
- \$1,500.00 was approved for mowing equipment maintenance by a vote of (31 yes) (0 no). Philip Grimes was present to receive the funds.

- \$4,200.00 was approved for the total bid for all the weed, feed, seed and grub control for the field by a vote of (31 yes) (0 no). It was mentioned that we only pay as we go and that we can stop the service at any time.
- Michael Holbrook addressed the serious need for the club to raise its yearly dues. While several options were discussed, a vote was passed by a count of (21 yes) (10 no) to do away with any Senior discount, no \$10.00 pay early discount and a \$10.00 late fee if not paid for by the February meeting. Additionally, for members not using the on-line registration system, an additional fee of \$10 will be assed. For members without access to a computer, the club will make one available at the January meeting. The new fees will be \$120.00 (\$10.00 a month), plus \$60.00 for the first family member plus \$15.00 for additional family members after that. Student members will be \$60.00. These fees will start in 2019 and for any newly acquired members in 2018.

The 50 / 50 was won by "George Sudermann". With the total pot being \$99.00, George only took \$30.00 making the split \$69 / \$30.

Ken A. Blackford 2-6-18