

Minutes of the October 2023 Membership Meeting

Before the meeting was called to order Glenn passed on information that was brought to him by Keith Nelson. No flying when crews are mowing or working near our field. (including upper area we use for flying) Even if they say it is no problem. DO NOT FLY.

Meeting called to order 6:45 PM by President Glenn Ross (at Liberty Church)

17 members present no visitors no new members present.

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL VOTE: The Secretary reported that the Draft September minutes had been sent out with the October Agenda. Before asking for a motion to approve the September minutes, the Secretary reported the minutes from October (when completed) were to be sent out to all members email addresses so that any member who does not attend meetings might find some information which causes them to consider attending future meetings. At this point, Tony Ledford moved that the September minutes, as corrected, be approved and David Burnette 2nd the motion. A vote followed and the September Minutes were approved.

NOTE: Secretary noted that to date, there have been 21 new renewals for 2024. A new gate code has been assigned for January, 2024. Also at this meeting, four new renewals were received. Concerning the September minutes, the secretary expressed that a change to the minutes was made due to an important vote made and not recorded in the minutes originally sent to the Webmaster. A problem with the Simulator Keyboard failure was brought up and a motion made to use up to \$500.00 to purchase a new keyboard. The vote on this motion was left out of the minutes and corrected later. Some members may have missed the change so this is the correction made.

NOTE 2) Mitch Fowler brought up the point that he heard the key board problem had been solved, and that we had voted to let Craig buy a new computer which wouldn't need to happen. Glenn pointed out that we were now in the process of approving the September Minutes and , in fact, during the September meeting the club had approved letting Craig spend up to \$500 to replace the computer. The fact that events since that meeting might make that unnecessary isn't part of the SEPTEMBER minutes. That can be captured in the minutes of the October meeting. He added that since the problem seems to now be solved the club can report to Craig Quillen we do not need the new Computer and the money can be put back in the "kitty."

TREASURER'S REPORT: Anthony presented October Breakdown: Beginning Balance: \$12,589.93 Income \$560.00 income Expenses \$669.47. Total end bank balance \$12,480.46. Glenn asked how many renewals we now have compared to projection. New renewals are 25 and 50 were projected. Anthony reported the club has run deficits for the past few years, but it seems this year we should break even.

OLD BUSINESS:

1) **CLOSING NOMINATIONS:** There are requests for absentee ballots, so Glenn is requesting nominations be closed as of the end of today's meeting. He must give the members time to return the ballots (November 25) so he has to send them out by October 29. Glenn reported there is one nomination for each office. The club has enough to fill each slot as of tonight. No one nominated anyone else so Glenn closed the nominations

2) **2024 EVENTS AND SCHEDULE:** Glenn announced: 1) Johnny Judd is doing the January 1 Fun Fly. It is scheduled for the first as of now. If there are any changes they need to

be made at the next meeting. 2) Dave Jones is scheduled to do the only indoor Fun Fly in February from noon until 4 PM. Dave said the date will be the 17th at the City of Kingsport Civic Center. Glenn suggested Liberty Church be considered a "back up." David said he appreciated the offer if the Civic Center falls through. 3) Spring Fun Fly is now scheduled for April 27th from 9-2PM. There is no one scheduled to work that date. Glenn will ask again at November Meeting. 4) Learn to Fly Event: Glenn reported Johnny Judd is scheduled for Sept. 14 from 9-2PM. Glenn will check with him to finalize date and time. 5) National Aviation Day: Anthony Hall is scheduled for Aug. 10, 9- 4PM. 6) Night Fly Skip is scheduled for Sept. 24, 8-11PM following our last Chill and Grill. 7) Halloween Fun Fly: Dewan Brooks will let Glenn know date and time later. 8) Chill and Grill events: Each Tuesday from May 7 until Sept. 24. 9) SPA Event: Vic will check and let Glenn know if and when 2024 event will take place. May, June, and July are open dates.

3) STATUS OF PAVILION ROOF PAINT: Glenn said the Fall Work Day did not turn fair enough to paint the roof due to wind and rain. Eddie returned the paint to the store and felt the Spring work day might be better.

4) RECAP OF HALLOWEEN EVENT: Dewan Brooks reported a fun time for all. The wind was up and the flyers did well to compete in the "Slow/Fast Race" and the "Limbo Race." David Jones was winner in both events. Congrats Dave!

5) STATUS OF RUNWAY SEAL REPAIRS: David Jones reported the sealant on the runway did not cover completely. He contacted the Contractor in September and notified him of the problem. The Contractor was working in South Carolina at the time. He told David to call him mid-October when he was finished and he would discuss repairs. David called back on October 11, Contractor said he was still in Carolina and would be at least 2 weeks until done. The Contractor was contacted later and said since cold weather was beginning could we wait until spring and re-do the sealant and striping. David told the club next March he would call them and schedule re-surfacing. Tony Ledford asked if we had any of this discussion with the contractor in writing. Dave answered that we did not. Tony stated that an e-mail or even a text would be a prudent thing to have to protect us. Glenn then asked Dave to request something from the contractor to confirm the repairs and restriping and Dave agreed to make the request.

NEW BUSINESS:

1) 2024 ELECTION TIME LINE/NEW OFFICER TRANSITION: Absentee Ballots go out on October 29 and must be returned by November 25. The Election is on November 28, starting at 7:30PM until completed. Glenn will send out ballots and ask members to send their completed ballot to the Piney Flat address/attn. Secretary. Officer Transition Meeting: The meeting will take place on December 9, at 3PM. The incoming President to decide where the meeting will be held. At the meeting the outgoing officer will make sure the incoming officer has everything that they need.

Motion to adjourn was made by Keith Nelson and Tony Ledford 2nd. The meeting was adjourned at 7:33PM.