



TaleSpins

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Fredericksburg Aeromasters Meeting Minutes

June 14th, 2018

Meeting to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Jim Braithwaite at 733pm with 6 members present.

Treasurer Report by Daniel Cox

Report current as 06/14/18

- Checking 535.04
- Savings 563.61
- Total 1098.65
- Paid Members 31

Expenses last month: 188.62 for the battery/charging station upgrade.

Motion made and accept the Treasurer's Report and approved by the members present.

Secretary Report by Derek Cox:

- Gold Member status renewed.
- Motion made to accept the meeting minutes from last month and approved by members present.

Committee Reports

- **Safety** (Jim Braithwaite): No one flying, no issues
- **Newsletter** (Derek Cox): New format coming in August.
- **Web Site** (Brian Mausolf): No updates.
- **Training** (Jim Chandler):
 - New student Jason Engholm has recently joined and working with Jim Chandler.
 - Any new students please contact Jim Chandler (jchandler922@comcast.net) for orientation information. Training is planned tentatively Wednesday and Saturdays. Training typically starts around 10am.
- **Field** (Bruce Simpson): Field looking good. Very sloppy by the port-a-potty and the shed. Port-a-potty appears to have been hit by the orange tractor. Be careful when opening the hood. Other mower needs new blades. Need a new air compressor to fill up the tires. The current air-compressor is at least 20 years old.

Old Business:

1. Jim to be reminded later in the season to have the Port-a-Potty dumped. Jim reminded. Jim noted that the port-a-potty is not very full yet and the field is too soft for it to be dumped.
2. Field maintenance complete Many trees cut down, field rolled, lyme treated, and fertilized between April 28 and May 4th.
3. Windwalker's Model Aviation Day is scheduled for June 16th. Landing fees are \$20.

Aeromasters to provide drinks. Jim Chandler and Jim Braithwaite to bring drinks and ice to the event.

4. Ed worked on the charging station as it has become unreliable. With the increasing electric usage the current battery is being overdrawn. The current battery is only able to support 35-45 Amp hours of storage. Motion made to purchase a deep-discharge battery and move the existing battery/charging to the back table. Ed authorized to spend \$200 on a new battery. **Done - Thanks Ed!**
5. Need someone to wipe down the solar panel to get rid of the pollen. Jim Chandler volunteers to try to not fall through the shelter while cleaning the solar panel. **Done - Thanks Jim**
6. Jim Chandler to find out about Stafford Night Out to see if the Aeromasters could participate with a static display. This is part of community out reach. Event is in August. Application is located at the Stafford police department. **No update. Application expected to be posted in July. Jim to follow up**
7. Shannon Airport static display on June 9th.

New Business:

1. Field maintenance items needed: blades for the tractor and an air compressor. Jim authorized for \$75. Approved by the members present.
2. Picnic table feet falling apart. Dan Cox and Jim Chandler to take a look at it and try to fix it.
3. Looking to hold a fun-fly at the end of the season. Targeting October 13th. Its going to be a fun event and low stress. Jim Chandler and Derek Cox to plan the event.

Show And Tell:

1. None

Adjourned:

Motion to adjourn the meeting made at 8:07pm and approved by members present.

Buy/Sell

- Dynafite Giant Scale decathlon - Jim Braithwaite willing to sell for \$170. Brand new condition

Author's Note:

Images on the front page are from Model Aviation Day.

Please contact me at aeromastersnewsletter@gmail.com if you have any stories or pictures that you would like to share in the newsletter!