

Minutes
Highland Lakes Flyers, Inc. AMA Chartered Club 2317
7:00 PM, Wednesday, January 24, 2018
Kingsland Library



Convene Meeting At 7:00 PM, President Richard Nichols Presiding: There were thirteen members in attendance exceeding the required quorum of eight.

Welcome Guests: Justin Judice of Burnet was in attendance.

Minutes From November 17th Meeting: Members previously having had an opportunity to review, a motion to approve by Al Campbell, seconded by Bill Autrey, passed unanimously.

Membership Status & Dues Collection Results: Dave Schaefer reported that effective January 1st, there are thirty-four members, including thirty-one Adults, and three Associates. Dues collected for 2018 membership renewals amounted to \$2,600.00. The club experienced a loss of eight members who did not renew by December 31, 2017.

Swap Meet Sales Tax: Several club members attended the recent swap meet in Georgetown hosted by Georgetown Aeromodellers (GAMA). Eight agents from the Texas Comptroller's Office were present, circulating among the crowd, coercing swap meet participants to submit an application for a "Texas Sales And Use Tax Permit." By this, swap meet participants are required to submit reports to the state and remit sales tax for any swap meet sales.

Safety Officer's Report: Al Campbell reported that there were no safety issues since the previous meeting.

Field Marshall's Report: Bill Autrey reported that in the coming weeks, repairs will be made on the runway to remedy prop cuts, as well as fixing some areas in the flight line.

Bi-Monthly Financial Report: Mike McDougall's report covered the period October 26, 2017 to December 27, 2017. During that time, the checking account's beginning balance was \$1,029.34 and the ending balance was \$3,037.09, resulting from income of \$2,291.53, and expense of \$283.88. The Capital Improvement Fund's (saving account) beginning balance was \$6,575.15, and the ending balance was \$5,575.48 owing to \$0.33 in interest income. A motion to approve by Young Scarborough, seconded by Jeff Ellis, passed unanimously.

2017 Annual Financial Report: Mike McDougall presented a report covering 2017. The checking account's beginning balance on January 1, 2017 was \$2,530.43. The ending balance on December 31st was \$3,037.09. There was income of \$4,656.60 and expense of \$4,149.94. The Capital Improvement Fund's (saving account) beginning balance was \$7,073.27, and the ending balance was \$6,575.48 owing to \$802.21 in income and \$1,300.00 in expense. A motion to approve by Jesse Webb, seconded by Young Scarborough, passed unanimously.

Funds Transfer From Checking To Savings: Mike McDougall recommended that funds not be transferred at the present time. Since there was no requirement other than tradition, approval was not necessary.

2017 Annual Review: Richard Nichols reviewed some of the past year's highlights including: dues increase from \$75 per year to \$80, a drone presentation by a local realtor, spring and fall picnics, new flight line benches constructed by Bill Stamp, electric hookup in north shed, July Flights Of Fancy, used Cub Cadet mower purchase, new windsock installed, field signs repainted & refurbished by Jesse & Sheila Webb, three float flies, indoor flight demo at Marble Falls Methodist church by Mike McDougall.

Newsletter: Richard Nichols reported he has initiated a monthly club newsletter and asked for header suggestions.

Gate Code Change: A new gate lock combination was proposed. A motion to approve by Bill Autrey, seconded by Bill Stamp, passed unanimously. Combinations will be changed on all locks in the next few days and the membership will be notified of the change, but not the combination. Members who would like to know the new combination may contact any of the club's officers. The combination is to be shared only by word of mouth, never by electronic communication.

Membership Increase & Outreach: Richard Nichols raised the issue of contacting the local Boys & Girls Clubs to generate interest in R/C flying. As part of this effort, he recommended that the club incorporate AMA's Instructor Pilot program.

Flying Events At Hank Nilsen Field – Poll Results: Richard Nichols reported that results were as follows: Results – Thirteen Ballots, Those Interested, Fun Fly – 9, Float Fly – 12, Evening Fly – 4, Pattern Fly – 4, Pylon Fly - 8

Used Mower Acquisition Status: Mike McDougall reported that the used mower recently donated to the club proved to be an uneconomical acquisition, so it was re-donated to a local repair shop while retaining the wheels.

NOOB Tube Update: Bill Stamp reported that six NOOB's were either complete or nearly so. Bill has one kit left for anyone interested.

FAA Registration: Richard Nichols reported that FAA's registration requirement for R/C flyers has been re-instated.

2018 Charter Renewal & Site Insurance: Dave Schaefer informed members that AMA will soon issue invoices and paperwork. As the cost is currently uncertain, he asked for advance expenditure authorization when that time arrives. A motion to approve by Mike McDougall, seconded by Ronnie Kirkpatrick, passed unanimously.

Adjourn At 7:58 PM

Following adjournment, Jesse Webb & Kelly Jacobsen won 2.4 GHz receivers in a drawing.