



Tri-County Wing Snappers Inc.  
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MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES  
*February 19, 2017*  
*Kutztown Fire Company*

President Jack Hilbert called Meeting to Order at 1:30 PM

1. 18 Members and 1 Guest Present

Agenda Items

1. 50/50 Drawing
  - a. \$12 won by John Messersmith generously donated back to the Club.
  - b. \$23.00 total to TCWS.
2. Candidates for Membership
  - a. None today
3. Treasurer's Report
  - a. Dennis Sell presented the February report.
  - b. Motion to accept as presented by Mike Correll.
  - c. Seconded by Walt Gladney.
  - d. Approved by the Membership.
4. Field / Flying Safety Issues
  - a. Steve King reported no current safety issues.
    - i. Jack noted that Steve will need to review guidelines and requirements in April when flying season starts.

## Old Business

### 1. BMA Site and Lease Update

- a. Formal copies of the approved 2-year lease have been signed by BMA and TCWS.
- b. Excavation and stone pad completed, inspected, and approved.
- c. The Contractor offered to grade, run a York rake over our topsoil, and plant grass seed for us for \$500.
  - i. Motion made by John Messersmith and seconded by Dale Davis to have the Contractor do this for us. Unanimous vote by the Membership to have this done.
  - ii. Jack is checking with Contractor to get grass seed mix of our choice after concern mentioned by Rich Kratzer.
- d. Township permit requirements accomplished and approved. We can now move our shed, picnic tables, etc. from Cliff's house to the BMA Field.
  - i. Tentative date for moving shed to BMA is Friday, March 3. Jack will send out email to Membership after confirmation of date from Kuzan's to move shed to BMA. All help will be appreciated.
- e. The paperwork sent to the PA DOT/Airport people has been approved with the following provisions:
  - i. It will be OK to have our flight tables close to the runway while flying but they must be moved back to 50 feet from runway when not flying.
  - ii. No parking closer than 50 feet from runway.
  - iii. Farmer cannot plant corn within 50 feet of runway which is also good for us.
- f. Approval was sent to the BMA Chief Pilot.
- g. Dennis has sent check to insurance company for our liability insurance required by BMA for our property at the site.

### 2. Noise Level Plan

- a. Jack is working on this but activity is deferred to Spring flying for measuring noise levels of gas and glow planes.

### 3. TCWS 2017 Hamburg Swap Meet Update

- a. Table sales underway, prior vendors signing up quickly but new vendor activity is slow.
- b. Approximately 75% have been reserved and paid.
- c. Rich Kratzer asked for an inventory of usable paper items to avoid buying excess items for the Swap Meet. Cliff will check the sheds. Rich and Cliff will coordinate this.
- d. Bud Wunder is donating 4 cans of coffee and cups for the Swap Meet.
- e. Anyone wishing to donate food (ie. Soup, Chili, etc.) please contact Rich ASAP so the item can be priced and added to the menu. Mike Correll volunteered to bring soup concentrates.
- f. Menu will be the same as usual. Any leftovers can be put in the freezer as always. John Messersmith volunteered his garage for storage of the freezer and its contents until there is space and electricity at the field.
- g. Jack will send out separate email concerning the Friday setup.
  - i. Membership help will be appreciated
  - ii. We are allowing vendors who have purchased (3) or more tables to set-up Friday night between 6 and 9 PM.

### 4. Lebanon Swap Meet Updates

- a. Walt said he still has plenty of room on the Club tables if anyone has anything they want to sell.

### 5. Indoor Flying Update

- a. Jack will be designated time keeper for the Feb event but a volunteer is needed for the March event.
- b. Gym is currently reserved next for Feb 26<sup>th</sup> from 1 PM to 5 PM.
- c. There will once again be a \$10.00 landing fee.

### 6. Float Flying Activity Update

- a. No update.

## 7. Club Apparel Update

- a. Jack brought a sample of new logo as it will be when printed on apparel. He will be bringing clothing samples of the logo printed on shirts, hoodies, etc. to the Indoor Flying Event.

## 8. Watts Up Update

- a. No update.

## 9. AMA Leadership Program Update

- a. Jack has sent in paperwork to the AMA, requesting TCWS be recognized for a Silver Award in the AMA Leadership Club.

## 10. TCWS Club Events Update

- a. Indoor Flying Event at BMA 1-5PM 2/26/17
- b. Indoor Flying Event at BMA 1-5PM 3/12/17
- c. TCWS Swap Meet at Hamburg Field House 8AM- ??, 3/26/17
- d. Indoor Flying Event at BMA 1-5PM 4/23/17
- e. TCWS Annual Picnic at BMA 9/17/17

## New Business

### 1. BOD Meeting Update

- a. Reviewed 2016 and 2017 Budget.
- b. We need to be cautious with expenses.
- c. We need to have a good Swap Meet this year.
- d. Moving the field has and will continue to incur considerable expense to TCWS.
- e. Please do not hesitate to promote membership in our Club!

### 2. AMA Site Improvement Grant Update

- a. Cliff sent in paperwork to AMA to apply for a 10% site improvement grant to help us with our improvement expenses.

### 3. Relocation of TCWS Shed and Stuff

- a. Tentative date Friday, March 3, 11AM meet at Cliff's house and load up stuff. Take boxes to BMA. Fly there until shed is delivered in the afternoon.

### 4. TCWS Grounds and Building Coordinator Needed

- a. Spring is almost here. We are looking for a volunteer in charge of managing lawn mowing, scheduling others to cut the field, mower service if needed, interfacing with BMA for fertilizing and rolling the field, etc.
- b. Taking care of our other property, sheds, pavilion, Blue Room schedule, etc. including repairs.

### 5. April Meeting Date Change

- a. Because our April meeting date would fall on Easter this year, we will be changing our April meeting date to Sunday April 6, 2017 at BMA.

### 6. March is our last 2017 Meeting at KFC.

- a. Membership voiced no objections to meetings being held at KFC. Will discuss further next month so future TCWS dates at Kutztown Fire Company can be scheduled and contracted.

#### **Next Meeting:**

**March 19<sup>th</sup> 2017 ---1:30 PM - Our last indoor meeting until Fall  
Kutztown Fire Company**

#### Close Meeting

1. Motion made by Bud Wunder
  2. Seconded by Rich Kratzer
- Unanimously approved!

Respectfully submitted,  
Nanci Messersmith, TCWS Secretary