



Tri-County Wing Snappers Inc.
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MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
30th July 2017
TCWS Pavilion

Call to Order

(20) Members and (2) Guests were in attendance

Agenda Items

1. 50/50 Drawing -----won by Faye Wunder - \$16.00 and \$15.00 to TCWS
2. New Membership Candidates
 - a. Steve Szilagyi, a returning member was unanimously accepted back into TCWS
 - b. Steve Layton, guest of Jeff Shriver was welcomed and he flew with us and has expressed interest in becoming a TCWS member.
3. Treasurer's Report was presented by Dennis Sell and unanimously approved and accepted.
4. Field / Flying Safety Issues
 - a. Steve King provided an update on the Safety Fence which now has been installed and everyone was given the preferred method of entry to the parking area between the safety fence and pavilion:
 - i. First choice is to drive around the east end of the pavilion UNLESS the low ground is too wet to drive on without leaving ruts.
 - ii. Second choice is to enter from the west side opening in the safety fence.
 - b. Amended Field Safety Rules
 - i. After much discussion - a motion was made to go back to having only engine size (62cc) and noise level be the limiting parameters on flying at TCWS.
 1. The motion was seconded, discussed and voted with a majority vote taking precedence.
 - ii. Updated rules will be sent to all members to review and sign.
 - iii. There will likely be more discussion in the future concerning this subject and if necessary - the rules may be amended again.

Old Business

1. BMA Site Update
 - a. Pavilion Canopy is now 100% complete
 - b. Privacy Fence - Gate Installation and second coat of paint is now 100% complete
 - c. BMA new hangar is still moving forward but no specific date of when construction will begin has been given to TCWS.
 - d. The AMA Site Improvement Grant we received required a written report from us within (6) months which explained how the grant was used. A detailed report has been submitted and accepted by AMA so this item is 100% complete.
2. Electric service is the only punch list item we have left to address for the new site
 - a. A summary of options to consider and an explanation of what work has already gone into this item by Jack and Cliff was presented.
 - b. After a brief discussion - a motion was made to defer all spending for electric service until a later date when the TCWS treasury has been re-built.
 - c. A second motion was made to continue the pursuit of the minimum effort to install a solar based system which would have the capability of future expansion as we could afford to address more electrical needs such as a refrigerator and lighting in the shed and pavilion.
 - d. The first motion was seconded, discussed and carried a majority vote so the second motion was not pursued to any further extent.
 - e. Until the membership believes some form of electrical service is necessary or affordable, those members who do come to the field to fly will need to provide their own resources of energy.
 - f. This item is now considered to be 100% complete
3. George Bond reminded the members the perimeter around the pond is soft and boots should be worn and care taken if approaching the pond edge to reclaim a plane from the land side of the pond.
4. Steve King has removed himself as coordinator of the Watts Up activity and there was no interest shown by vote to continuing that activity so we will consider this sub-group to be no longer in existence.

5. Our annual "Club Picnic" in September will be held on 17 September
 - a. Since the neighborhood picnic / open house discussed at the June meeting never was pursued - that idea will be incorporated into the September club picnic
 - b. RSVP cards will be sent out within the next two weeks and all members are requested to return the cards ASAP after they are received.
6. The Noise Study conducted last month has been completed and copies have been provided to the AMA, BMA and Tilden Township.
 - a. Anyone who would like a copy of the information presented can have one by sending an email to Jack, Cliff or Dennis.
 - b. This item is now 100% complete.

New Business

1. Nominations for 2018 TCWS Officers will be accepted at the Sept and Oct meetings. Voting takes place at the November meeting;
 - a. Cliff Nash and Dennis Sell have indicated their willingness to serve another year
 - b. Nancy Messersmith has indicated she will not be running for another term
 - c. Jack Hilbert also indicated that nominations for a new President need to be made for 2018.
 - d. Current BOD members have not yet indicated their respective situations but there may be a need for replacement BOD members as well.
 - i. This will be confirmed at the September picnic.
2. Start thinking about the indoor flying events for the 2017/2018 wintry weather season.
 - a. If the club is going to have the indoor events again - reservations of gym time should be made with BMA after they return in September.
3. 2018 Hamburg Swap Meeting planning typically starts in Oct period so start thinking about how you can participate in this very important club event.
4. WEDNESDAY—2 AUGUST will be a CHICKEN WING night at TCWS - Ed Smith will be showcasing his culinary skills on the poultry industries most famous part - the CHICKEN WING.
 - a. Cost is estimated to be in the \$5.00 to \$6.00-dollar range for wings, cold drinks and a dessert.
 - b. Food is planned to be ready at 5:30 PM
 - c. Come fly with us and then enjoy the wings and storytelling at dinner.

Next Meeting:

As this meeting has been held so late, and all items having to do with the new site have been 100% completed - the August meeting will be cancelled.

Our September meeting will not be held officially due to club picnic being the same day, but important club issues may be discussed briefly at the picnic.

Next meeting is 15th of October at the TCWS Pavilion which is the last outdoor meeting of the year.

Close Meeting:

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to close the meeting.