

## Flying Tigers Radio Control Model Club Minutes

Meeting date: June 06, 2017

Location: Anne Grady Center, 1525 Eber Rd. Holland, OH 43528

Number of members in attendance: 22                      Visitors:

### Approval of minutes:

Motion was made, and seconded to approve the minutes of the May 2, 2017 meeting. Motion Carried

### Officers' reports:

- **Commander**

Our first picnic went great. The chicken was a big hit so we will continue having them. The next one is July 1 so there will be two in July. I have noticed how many PPP's we are having at the field. (Park Pass Permits) For the most part we are having a good relationship with them as they are asking some questions and fellow members are politely answering them. If you happen to see one while at the field be courteous and let them know a few rules. Things like boundaries, flight line and their intentions upon takeoff and landing etc. Do not give them a hard time about all the rules as we would like to get them to become members. If you see a person flying and they do not have the required Park Flying Permit you should advise them and let them know where and how to obtain one.

We were informed that our park has the most park passes than any other Metro Park. They are pleased with this and it benefits us as good publicity means more dollars thrown at Westwinds.

As you are aware the FAA has lost the first battle in the registration rules, but don't throw away your registration as this battle may not be over.

Vice commander went to the Mint Julip event in KY. This is a big scale event and he came back with two awards. He received the people's choice award and the peoples designer scale award. Great job.

- **Vice Commander**

Just a reminder of a couple upcoming event. First on Aug. 5 is the float fly at wiregrass and then the next day Aug. 6 an open house at Westwinds. Last year our float fly was a success and we received a good report from the park system. Again this year, the boat club will be there too. We will be having the AMA flight simulator at each event.

- **Training**

No report. However if you need training, contact Scott Arnett to set it up. That being said, any time you are at the field and qualified trainers are there it does not hurt to ask if they can give you a flight or two.

- **Treasurer**

Treasurer's report was read and accepted as read.

Question raised, Can we move monies from the checking account into saving to earn more interest?. The point is at present we earn about 36 cents per month so moving money is a moot point. If we want a higher return it may be best into looking at a CD..

- **Trustees**

There will be a raffle after the meeting.

### **Show and Tell:**

Nothing to see tonight.

### **Old business:**

The keys for the garage will be done in this manner. At present persons on the mowing crew each has one. After discussion among the officers we thought each officer along with the mowing crew should have a key This way there will most likely be a key at the field if someone needs into the garage.

Today we talked to the AMA about the trailer as Gene wanted some information about it. What size ball in on the hitch, type of brakes, and electrical connection We were told we don't need to know about any of that as they provide the truck to pull it with. So all we need is someone to go pick it up.

### **New business:**

John is planning on going down to Muncie on June 23 - 25 for the Nats. He has room for one passenger. Let him know if interested in going along.

We are looking at making a change to the field rules. At the present time there is a rule that states no starting or running of engines/motors before 9:00 AM. This rule has been in place for a number of years and may stem from being kind to the neighbors and noise.

The gates are open at dawn and we have no control over that so maybe we can change the so electric powered aircraft can be flown before 9:00 AM. A question was put forth concerning any objections to this change. After a discussion concerning larger electric planes as they do make excessive prop noise if was agreed that at this time that is not an issue as most of our flyers do not fly large electric aircraft.

It is time for the club to start considering a new mower as our present one is 13 years old. As each year goes by, its resale value will drop and quite a brisk rate. Not quite sure of the replacement cost, but \$15,000 may not be out of the ball park and the resale of our current mower will be around \$3000. These numbers are best guesses so do not hold us to these figures.

Some of you may not be aware, but we mow the entire park every blade of grass, not just our field. When we tell visitors that, most of them are flabbergasted. So now you can see what your dues are used for. Some general discussion over the new mower purchase went around the room and not decision was made..

Due to recent possible rule changes of the FAA about flying small unmanned aircraft, there is a section in our By-Laws that will need to be updated. The Secretary will take a look at the needed changed and make a proposal for the next meeting. He will email these changed later this week.

At this time there is no new information about the flight stands from the park. When we ask about rolling the field this will be brought up again.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

C. Eugene Myers  
Secretary  
Flying Tigers R/C Model Club

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Date of approval