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Wolverines meeting 11/2/2009

Meeting held at the library, where I introduced myself to Bill, who took Sam's place, for the library. Bill will be taking care of the meeting rooms. We should thank Bill each time we see him.

Jerry opened the meeting at 7:02 p.m. with 15 members present.

Jerry welcomed us all to the meeting and summarized the improvements made to the road.

Jerry pointed out that our club has fully recovered from losing most of our members when our field on 29 was lost. We now have 30 members, a perfect size.

Jerry also pointed out that our members have been very active this year, with people out every day, even 10 pilots out one day recently. This is the highest activity our club has ever had.

Treasurer's Report:

As of June, 2009 we had \$1726 on hand.

We paid for the Fun Fly, Road improvement, Field lease, Portable toilet, Tractor repair, and Weed trimmer repair.

This left us with cash-on-hand of \$424, as of today.

All expenses are paid up for 2009, so this is a good start for 2010.

Secretary's Report:

Dave reviewed the minutes of the last meeting, way back in June.

Old Business:

Fence:

Jerry brought up his battle with the orange fence material, describing an instance where the plastic material sliced his arm (again) and with such surgical precision that he didn't notice how he was bleeding all over the seats of his car. Jerry pointed out this would be particularly dangerous for anyone on blood thinners, and most of us are about that age...

Trees:

The subject of the trees covering the road like a canopy came up again, and it was pointed out that in the Fall there are no leaves, giving us an ideal opportunity to trim them.

Pete, of course, brought up his old nemesis, the tree at the East end of the runway and would like it trimmed. There was much discussion on how to do this, but we have had permission from the owner for quite some time to cut down these trees that interfere with our flying.

New Business:**Road Clearing:**

A motion was made to use the cherry picker that Bill Welser can get for Sunday 11/8, and we will only have to pay half as we will share the \$260 expense with his church. This was seconded by Glen, voted and passed, to allow up to \$200 for this.

Joe Ilapi volunteered to cook once again, so it looks like a very enjoyable work day.

We need volunteers and CHAIN SAWS! as there will be lots of brush coming down from above to chop up for later gathering.

Bill will also bring his Son's generator to power the hydraulics on the cherry picker.

This will allow the sun to speed up the drying of the road in the spring, and relieve one of our most troublesome spring problems.

Please support this activity, and plan to start early so we can get a full day's work out of the rented cherry picker.

Advancement down the road will be slow, as the stabilizing feet have to be deployed with each cherry picker move, so more help will allow each move to occur quicker.

Fence Replacement:

Since the orange plastic fence is a problem, we discussed replacing it with a normal chain-link fence. We discussed using three sections, 20 to 30 feet wide, with access gaps between, separating the parking area from the flight line.

Mike Dishinger volunteered to research other fields, and get some idea of the cost. We discussed allowing up to \$400 for this, but it was not approved yet. We want it to look nice, out of respect for our landlord, who really appreciates our operation, and has commented on how there is never any trash, everything looks nice.

Refreshments at the meetings:

Glen brought this up to make our meetings a little more attractive, and we could start with the December meeting, even have prizes, since it was our Christmas meeting. Mike Dishinger volunteered to look into this even got himself elected to a new post, the Entertainment Officer. Joe Ilapi will bring his 24 cup coffee machine, Pete will get two gift certificates from the Prop-Shop for prizes. Pete will also check with the library to make sure we can have refreshments at our meetings. Further, Pete offered to buy donuts. (Wow, Pete you are doing a lot...thank you)

The membership approved a check to Pete for \$25 for the two gift certificates.

New Officer:

The above activity generated a need for a new position, which Mike Dishinger volunteered for, The Entertainment Officer. This is a great idea, we must all thank Mike for taking this job, The membership voted and approved this appointment.

Election of Officers for Existing Positions:

Bill Welser was elected to Vice President, and Jerry, Glen, and Dave stayed as Pres, Treasurer, and Secretary. Dave complained a lot, but got no sympathy at all, nobody wants to take on the web page duties.

Future Business:

When we meet again, we must discuss a budget for our new Entertainment Officer, and what we feel should be done in this position. Again, thanks Mike for taking on this new appointment.

50/50:

The 50/50 totaled \$37, and was won by Dave Bacon. Since Pete bought him the tickets, and wouldn't take any part of the winnings, it only seemed fair to Dave to turn over the winnings to the club, and they (finally) accepted.

Show and Tell:

Pete showed his new decals.

Jerry passed out Tru-Turn catalogs.

Dave requests that if you bring in really interesting things to show, he will put advance notice on our web site, just tell him ahead of time.

Next Meeting: Dec 7, 2009, Monday
