

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING JANUARY 20, 2020

Board meeting was called to order by Jerry Geiger at 6:32pm. The invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Phil Frandsen.

ROLL CALL: Jerry Geiger, Tim Brain, Tom Trainor, Dean Hinz. Ed Savage (via conference call) Absent: Joe Sigona and Randy Waddle.

MINUTES OF DECEMBER 16, 2019 MEETING: These minutes were not approved as they were not available.

TREASURER'S REPORT: There was a deposit of \$350 made in December for dues collected. \$1650 paid for patent/trade name registration. \$946.41 paid for Christmas party expenses. Thank you card to be signed by the board at next meeting and sent to Fred Ferguson for appreciation of opening his home to host the party. Fun was had by all who attended.

The financial stats are as follows:

MAIN CHECKING: \$XXXXXX SAVINGS: \$XXXXXX CASE ACCOUNT: \$XXXXXX

Tom motion to approve treasurer's report. Seconded by Dean

OLD BUSINESS AND STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FARMLAND: • The club will be initiating a policy moving forward that all expenses related to the farmland need to have board approval prior to being spent specifically costs related to reimbursing club members for fuel and equipment repairs. It was discussed that club members that go out to the farmland for plow days or do general light duty work are doing the work for donated time and materials (i.e. fuel). For work that needs to be completed for heavy duty tillage or where substantial amount of fuel will be required need to communicate to one of the board directors of the estimated cost that will be asked for reimbursement prior to doing the work. As for lunch being provided out at the farmland for when work is being done, a good will offering (pass the hat) will be done so the club isn't paying for lunch each time club members are being fed.

Discussion was had on a new chemical application, AF 36 Prevail that will occur to minimize the threat of aflatoxins for the crops that are being raised out at the farmland. Ed was able to get the chemical donated.

The hay was cut and raked the middle of January and will be baled by Lonnie. The entire cutting has been sold by Ed. Some of the bales will be used at the Glendale show in February and after the show all of the bales will be picked up.

Discussion was had on planting sweet corn in July. More discussion will be needed on what will be planted.

SAHUARO RANCH PARK SHOW: • Jason Muller reported that everything is in order for the show. Vendors are still being added; sign-up genius was emailed out a couple of times to get volunteers to help out at the show. Phil Frandsen updated the board that the kids' zone will be enhanced this year compared to past years. They will be hosting activities at the milk barn and will need several volunteers.

Phil also mentioned that on Friday of show week several volunteers will be needed for the kids' activities that will be hosted at the show grounds with the Kellis School. There is estimated to be about 80 kids onsite as part of a field trip.

The City of Glendale is going to be having the building restoration/re-build dedication ceremony on Saturday at 9:45am with Mayor and council members. Communication has been sent to the community of this event so discussion was had on how we handle community members that want to come to the dedication ceremony and not to pay the \$5 donation to the club. It was decided that we will ask as people that come to the gates what they are at the park for. Although not ideal, we will allow community members to come into the show for free to attend the dedication ceremony hoping that they have a good time and make a donation or come back next year as a paying guest.

APACHE JUNCTION • Tim updated that everything is in order with permits. Still working on securing vendors.

AHAA • No new news to report. Jerry indicated that he, Phil and Sam McConnell met with the insurance agent that covers both clubs and all insurance is in-order and paid up. She asked that she be notified of any and all club activities so she can be aware of any potential issues. She will respond back to the group of 3 of any issues due to a club activity and if further insurance riders need to be addressed or if the current coverage is adequate.

GILBERT TRACTOR PROJECT • Todd Bakken updated the board that the project is complete and the tractor is being stored at Phil Frandsen's house until the developer is ready for it. The original estimate of \$10K for the project was discussed with Mark Tate at the start of the project. Todd and Phil have come to an early estimate that the project should be presented at \$7500 which covers the costs of the tractor and repairs/modifications and a donation to each club of about \$1K. The board would like Todd and Phil to present the offer at \$10K to the Mark and see if that is acceptable otherwise agree on the \$7500. Once that has been decided, Phil will send an invoice to Mark for payment.

WEBSITE • Dean presented that the email blasts that have gone out recently have higher viewership than in the past. This past month we have had 495 visitors to the website. Dean and Tim are working on the conversion of Grasshopper for the club phone number project. Should be completed by the end of the month. Club newsletter was discussed and still working on getting information out to club members who do not have internet access. Hopefully try to minimize having to mail out newsletters with an online newsletter up and going soon. The club Facebook site was discussed as needing to have an "owner" and being updated. There are several people that have limited access to the site to update and post so Dean will be contacting Facebook to see what we can do to either take over the site with new credentials or if we have to abandon the current site and start over. Hopefully new credentials can be issued and Dean will work on getting the site updated.

Discussion was had on the club acquiring a Square account and reader to accept mobile payments at the club shows and other events where goods will be sold (i.e. shirts). The initial trial will be at the Glendale show and be used at the club store for goods and at the silent auction. All sales done at the silent auction will be assessed a 3% convenience fee for those that wish to use the card. The club store will not assess a convenience fee but rather adjust the cost of the shirts and other goods accordingly to absorb the card fee.

Dean made a motion to purchase and agree to the terms of Square; seconded by Tom

STEAM ENGINE UPDATE • There are no updates to report.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1/25/2020 – 11-Mile Corner – On schedule and the pulling starts at 10am. If you want to come to the event and don't want to pay an admission ticket, bring a tractor or engine and have fun!

ADJOURNMENT • Tim made a motion and Tom seconded to adjourn at 8:43pm. Motion carried. The next meeting is scheduled for February 17th 6:30pm at SRP's Project Administration Building (PAB), located at 1500 N. Mill Avenue, Tempe, AZ 85281. Park on the north side of the building under the solar panels and enter the main entrance on the north side.