

# Arizona Early Day Gas Engine & Tractor Association



## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING February 20, 2023

### Meeting Location – Club Farmland

Board meeting was called to order by Jerry Geiger at 6:00pm. The invocation and pledge of allegiance was led by Phil Frandsen.

#### ROLL CALL:

##### Members Present:

Jerry Geiger, Tim Brain, Jason Muller, Sarah Geiger, Ed Savage (via phone), Jim Brain (via phone) and Ryan Thorman

Absent: Mark Sion and Paul Laipple

**MINUTES OF January 16, 2023 MEETING:** Ryan moved to approve the minutes as emailed to the board and posted to the club website. Seconded by Tim. Motion carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Tim presented the January 2023 financials. The club's laptop was at the accountant's office for tax prep so a full report was not able to be presented. Bills that were paid this past month were the club phone (\$19.99), Costco for Glendale show expenses (\$70.00), Pizza Place for 11 Mile Corner event (\$152.00), SRP for farm irrigation (\$814.00). Membership renewals received in January was \$550.00.

Main Checking Account Balance: \$55,416

Main Savings Account Balance: \$63,871

Case Steam Engine Account: \$12,205

Motion made by Jason to accept the Treasurer's Report. Seconded by Ryan. Motion carried.

#### STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**FARMLAND:** Ed reported that he and Ryan will lead the charge to repair the stand pipe at the farm on Saturday, March 18th as part of the club-wide clean-up day at the farm. They will repair the inside of the pipe with silicone at the joints and cracks to prevent further water waste when irrigating. Ed will coordinate with

SRP and make sure there is no water flowing that day and Jerry will bring out the water wagon to pump the pipe of any residual water. The east field has been lasered since the plow day and corn will be planted in all of the borders of the east field on March 5<sup>th</sup> by the club on 38" centers. This will allow the club to be able to cultivate it and hopefully get more tonnage when it is time for harvesting. The northeast border will also be planted in field corn which will be used for the engine guys. The northwest border will be planted in sweet corn and watermelons for club enjoyment.

Ed has been in discussion with John Hunt on good options to use for the east field or at least a border of the field for next year's crop when we may not have a buyer. Perhaps a You Pick It concept can be developed with the club and City of Glendale/Peoria or local civic organization. That brought up additional discussion on whether it is time to take out the alfalfa crop out of the west field and move it to the East field and work the west field with something different. We will be going on our 5<sup>th</sup> year of that alfalfa crop in the west field. Perhaps it would be good for the soil to have a different crop rotated in.

**AHAA** – Phil was present and no particular update with AHAA. He brought up if we need to continue with AHAA as a separate organization to the main chapter. Brief discussion was had that AHAA needs to stay as an entity. Phil also presented 3 different club opportunities for members to participate in as well as our upcoming AJ show. Sarah will post these on the club website with details, times and locations.

**COMMUNICATIONS/WEBSITE/MEMBERSHIP** – Jerry reported that Debbie processed 55 renewals at the Glendale show and an additional 10 new members joining the club. She also processed 14 new name badges.

**STEAM ENGINE** • No update.

#### **CLUB EVENTS:**

- **Glendale and AJ Shows:** Dean Hinz, Glendale Show Chair provided an update on the Glendale show. Everything went smooth and although attendance was down compared to normal years because of the Super Bowl it was still well attended. Dean did an amazing job as the show chair. All the final numbers are not processed but it is looking like the club will make a profit from the show.

Tim reported that Ken and Rhonda Baker are working with him and Phil on the AJ show. They are working on getting the food vendor paperwork submitted this week. Tim shared that the lawn mower racing club will not be at the show this year due to lack of funding. Phil has arranged for a 500-gallon water tank to be used. Phil will also send out another reminder on Sign-up Genius on getting the volunteer spots filled. Additionally, the club is working with a local radio station to help promote the event this year. They will be onsite for a few hours of the show doing a live feed.

- **Tractor Drive:** No update. Tractor drive was postponed due to the weather earlier this past fall. Tim and Mike will be looking at an alternative date and report back.
- **Lost Dutchman Parade** - Will be held on February 25, 2023. Phil Frandsen to coordinate
- **Cotton Days -Coolidge** – Will be held the weekend of March 4th. Phil to coordinate
- **Roots-n-Boots at the Queen Creek Rodeo Arena** – Static display of engines and tractors. Weekend of March 18<sup>th</sup>. Phil to coordinate
- **Club Farmland Clean-Up Day** – Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at the club farmland. Will start around 8am. This is a club-wide initiative to clean up the farmland from trees, bushes, weeds, painting etc.. Please bring equipment and tools to work all types of landscaping and clean up. We will have a dump trailer onsite to remove all debris. Lunch will be brought in for all helpers!

## OLD BUSINESS:

- **Arizona Flywheelers Antique Engine and Tractor Club** – The AEDGT&A board voted unanimously (motion by Jason seconded by Sarah) to accept the formal agreement to have the Arizona Flywheelers Antique Engine and Tractor club to be a satellite club. Bill Lee will join the AEDGT&A board as a representative of the Arizona Flywheelers Antique Engine and Tractor Club. Each club will retain their own names but will collaborate on events together and work under the same insurance coverage. The cost of the insurance will be determined once a final membership directory is finalized and will be revisited each year upon renewal of the master policy. Welcome aboard Arizona Flywheelers Antique Engine and Tractor club!
- **City of Glendale/Dog Park Property:** Jerry reported that he and Larry Rovey dropped off our proposal to the City offices back in mid-January. He hasn't seen or hear anything since so he will follow-up with Larry and Jessie to get an update and report back.
- **Club's JD B Tractor Restoration project:** Jason brought up that club member Mike Westfall has offered to get the JD B running. The board agreed that is a good idea to get it running. Jason will coordinate with Mike on getting the tractor picked up from the farm and delivered to Mike's shop. Once running, the tractor will be brought back to the farm for any club member to use at plow days or at club shows/parades.
- **Sahuaro Ranch Park Scale Deck Replacement** – No update
- **Magneto Donation to Club:** No update or discussion
- **Storage Enclosure at Farm for Big Engine:** No Update or discussion

## NEW BUSINESS:

- **Officers Insurance** – Mark was not able to attend the meeting but shared some information with Jerry via email prior to the meeting to discuss. He has spoken to the insurance broker and they will need an application filled out to obtain a quote. The information required in the application is financial so Mark will work with Tim on obtaining the necessary information and get the application filled out. The application does not ask for the number of officers or names of officers. Last time we had Officer's Insurance coverage, it was \$1200 for the year. After we get the application filled out and submitted, we will learn what the quote will be and Mark will report back.

## ADJOURNMENT:

Sarah made a motion and Ryan seconded to adjourn at 7:32pm. Motion carried.

***The next meeting is scheduled for March 20, 2023 at the club's farmland off of 87<sup>th</sup> Avenue between Olive and Northern Avenues.***