

Arizona Early Day Gas Engine & Tractor Association



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING May 15, 2023

Meeting Location – Club Farmland

Board meeting was called to order by Jerry Geiger at 6:05pm. The invocation and pledge of allegiance was led by Jerry Geiger.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present:

Jerry Geiger, Tim Brain, Jason Muller, Ryan Thorman, Mike McIver, Lyle Clark, Tom Trainor, Jim Brain (via phone) and Sel Larson (representing Paul Laipple).

Absent: Mark Sion, Sarah Geiger, Ed Savage and Paul Laipple

MINUTES OF April 17, 2023 MEETING: Tim moved to approve the minutes as emailed to the board and posted to the club website. Seconded by Ryan. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Tim presented the April 2023 financials. Bills that were paid this past month were \$500 to the Maricopa County Buyers Fund, \$1,448 for show buttons, \$293 Phil Frandsen for AJ show expenses – water wagon, \$1000 for Campo Verde FFA program for helping at AJ show, \$3,260 for chemicals and seed for farmland and \$19.99 for club phone line. Membership renewals received in April were \$175.00. Hay sales received was \$729.

Tim is going to calculate the membership amount for the Flagstaff club to join to be a satellite club based off what was agreed upon for the Mile High Club. Having NAAT&AE make a payment will bind them officially as a satellite club for their insurance costs.

Main Checking Account Balance: \$65,957

Main Savings Account Balance: \$63,933

Case Steam Engine Account: \$12,405.55

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

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FARMLAND: The club had a total of 252 bales on the last cutting which is the best cutting to date the club has had! The farm has been receiving quite a bit of free water from SRP so everything has been getting some good irrigations. Ryan and Tim are going to coordinate on getting Ed's sprayer and Tim's tractor for Ryan to spray the entire farm for weed control. Tom and Bill Trainor have cultivated the two northern borders once already. The east field was planted on 22" rows so it is not able to be cultivated. The alfalfa stand is in its 4th year of production and doing well. May consider switching it out next year and put in east field.

AHAA – Phil was not present - no update with AHAA.

COMMUNICATIONS/WEBSITE/MEMBERSHIP – No update or discussion

STEAM ENGINE • No update or discussion.

CLUB EVENTS:

- **Mile High Club Show:** Sel Larson reported on Paul Laipple's behalf that they are looking at doing another show sometime in October not to overlap with the AEDGE&TA's fall tractor drive. He again expressed gratitude for the help and support of AEDGE&TA with their recent April show at Tractor Supply.
- **NAAT&EA Shows: Beat the Heat** - July 29 & 30th Will be held at 5285 East Pumpkin Patch Road, Flagstaff, Az 86004. More information to follow.
- **Tractor Drive:** Tim reported that it is looking like the tractor drive will be in October. No official date is set as of yet but will be communicated once the date is finalized.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **City of Glendale/Dog Park Property:** No update or discussion
- **Sahuaro Ranch Park Scale Deck Replacement** – Jerry reported that the scale deck will be replaced this November. He will send out a note to the club to get some volunteers to help get the wood planks cut and delivered and set in place at the park later this summer.
- **Magneto Donation to Club:** No update or discussion
- **Storage Enclosure at Farm for Big Engine:** Lyle Clark offered to help facilitate the project of protecting the engine and its components of sun, rain and theft. He will work with Jerry on getting the project off the ground with a plan and getting erected. More information to come with getting materials and help on getting the project completed.
- **Officers Insurance** – Tim reported that the needed financial information has been submitted along with an application to the insurance company to get a quote. Once that is received it will be reviewed and placed in-force for protection of the officers of the club.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Attorney Review** – Jason's sister has been the only attorney that has responded with some insight on the Memo of Understanding. She is not licensed in the State of Arizona so she is not able to legally offer advice other than some of her thoughts. She indicated we are on the right path but definitely should have an attorney review what the club is doing with the other clubs. She suggested a couple of

low cost/free options that a non-profit can use for legal help. The contact Jerry reached out to has not contacted him back to date. He is going to make another attempt to reach him.

- **Arizona Flywheelers Antique Engine & Tractor Club-** They have decided to rescind their request to be a satellite club within AEDGE&TA. No real reason was provided as to why they came to that decision. The board is going to leave the invitation on the table for them if they decide at a later time to revisit the option.

Election of Officers and Positions for the 2023 – 2024 Board

President – Jason Muller

Vice President – Tim Brain

Secretary – Mark Sion

Treasure – Tom Trainor

Communications Chair – Mike McIver

Engine Chair – Lyle Clark

Tractor Chair – Ryan Thorman

ADJOURNMENT:

Mike made a motion and Lyle seconded to adjourn at 7:41pm. Motion carried.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 19, 2023 at the club's farmland off of 87th Avenue between Olive and Northern Avenues.