

# Arizona Early Day Gas Engine & Tractor Association



## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING October 16, 2023

### Meeting Location – Club Farmland

The board meeting was called to order by Jason Muller at 6:00pm. The invocation was led by Mark and followed by the pledge of allegiance.

### ROLL CALL:

#### Members Present:

Jason Muller, Mark Sion, Tom Trainor, Lyle Clark, Mike McIver, Tim Brain and Paul Laipple. Also, Jim Brain (by phone).  
Absent: Ryan Thorman.

**MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 18, 2023, MEETING:** Tom moved to approve the minutes as emailed to the board and posted to the club website. Seconded by Mike. Motion carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Tom presented the June through October 2023 financials. Expenses paid: bank card fee \$12.06, baling 380 hay bales \$1520, two cuttings \$1620, fertilizer \$1056, water \$349.92, fuel reimbursement to Ed Savage \$1000, corn picker replacement chain \$92.47, telephone \$100.05, February advertising show expenses \$1700, show flyer expenses splitting for both shows \$108.46, 2<sup>nd</sup> payment to Lund machine for Case engine \$9,300, directors and liability annual insurance premiums \$4,374, Fall Kickoff meeting expenses \$768.25. Income received: membership renewals \$225, interest \$419.64, hay sales \$18,547.72.

Main Checking Account Balance: \$20,153.49

Case Steam Engine Account: \$3,105.55

Main Savings Account Balance: \$64,557.04

CD: \$45,000

Motion made by Tim to accept the Treasurer's Report. Seconded by Mike. Motion carried.

### STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Farmland:** Ed reported that the alfalfa will be cut on Friday. Alfalfa seed, fertilizer and cover crop seed are on order. Ray and Leon will brushhog the east field Friday. Redd reported the plow day is on for this Saturday.

**Mile High Club:** Paul reported their club gave over 800 people rides at the October 7 Yavapai Fall Festival and they will participate in the upcoming Veterans Day Parade in Prescott.

**Northern Arizona Club:** Jim reported there is one more parade on their agenda as colder weather sets in. Mike is working on integrating their membership list with ours.

**AHAA/C3:** No news to report.

**Communications/Website:** Mike reports he is continuing to work with Dean on website familiarization. Continue to send pictures to Mike via email. It was mentioned there is a desire to come up with an identifier name for the club to be used for social media.

## **SHOWS AND EVENTS:**

**Eleven Mile Corner:** Good attendance with 25-30 tractors. Thanks to Phil for organizing and pizza and Ray for bringing the sled.

**Hell's a Rockin':** Good attendance with 14 engines displaying.

**Sahuaro Ranch Park Show:** Tom had no news to report.

**Maricopa Live Steamers Show:** Info to come.

**Glendale Hometown Christmas Parade:** Ed had no news to report.

**AJ Show:** No news to report.

**North Phoenix Tractor Drive:** Mike and Tim will determine a 2024 date.

**East Valley Events:** Upcoming east valley events are posted.

**Fiesta Bowl and Veterans Day Parades:** David Hale will again be the point of contact.

**Annual Hit & Miss Engine Workshop-Jeff Smith's:** December 2, 2023, from 9am-1:30pm. Update posted.

**Christmas Party:** December 16<sup>th</sup> at Fred Ferguson's house.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**Fall Kickoff Meeting Follow-Up:** Jason reported the meeting was well attended. The previously mentioned proposed by-laws change for officer term limits was voted on and passed. The Farmland rules were handed out to attendees.

**Big Engine cover/protection structure project at farmland:** Lyle is leading and will check the materials available at Larry Rovey's.

**Sahuaro Ranch Scale Deck:** Timbers will be sawed tomorrow courtesy of Rex Condie. Further project activities will be scheduled soon.

**Case Steam Engine:** Jason reported he had received a progress report from Jeff Smith that included pictures of the completed firebox assembly. Still hopeful for to have the engine for our upcoming show season.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Compensation for Ray Gatz:** It was proposed the club compensate Ray Gatz for costs he has incurred in transporting club equipment (pull sled, announcer trailer, threshing machine, baker fan, toy hauler trailer, etc.) to club functions for the past several years. Mark made a motion to issue a check for \$500.00, that was seconded by Tom. Motion passed. It was suggested to present the check to Ray during the lunch break at the plow day this Saturday to publicly acknowledge his generosity.

**Sudan grass:** Discussion about the 96 bales of sudan grass being rented to a local church for \$5.00/bale for their upcoming events, then to be sold.

**Power From the Past:** Jason reported he has been contacted by their VP, Zane Parker, about merging with our club. More information to follow.

**Reports On Our Events:** Bill Lee says he will be taking pictures and compiling reports that highlight club events and will forward them to Mike. Thank you, Bill.

**Food At Club Events:** There was discussion about the club paying for food and drinks, such as pizza and water, for club sanctioned events, as has been traditionally done at Eleven Mile Corner. The board agreed this helps promote fellowship and should be of relatively minimal costs.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

Mike made a motion and Tim seconded to adjourn at 7:42pm. Motion carried.

***The next meeting is scheduled for November 20, 2023, at 6pm – Club Farmland.***