

Ogle Co. Pilots, Inc.

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Board of Directors Minutes

3 April 2023

Attendance:

Board Members: Jon Bargren, Roger Doran, TJ Graden, Jerry Hose, Gerry Hough, and Gary Melvin.

Members: Steve Friel, Dick Schmidt, and William Smith

Others: Shellie Graden, Nicole Hose, and Andrew Melvin

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 1806 Hours by Gerry Hough.

President's Statement:

None.

Hearing of Non-Board Members:

None.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes of the 6 March 2023 Board of Directors meeting were reviewed. Jon Bargren made a motion to approve the minutes. 2nd by TJ Graden. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's Report was presented by Roger Doran. Shellie Graden presented the 2023 Q1 report. Gary Melvin made a motion to approve the treasurer's report and 2023 Q1 report. 2nd by Jon Bargren. Motion passed.

Gerry Hough suggested we put \$10,000.00 into a CD for 6 months at approximately 4.75% APR via the Edward Jones office in Oregon. It was noted that in November we invested \$20,000.00 at 3.25% APR for 15 months in a CD with Byron Bank. TJ Graden made motion to approve Gerry's suggestion. 2nd by Jon Bargren. Motion passed. Gerry Hough will handle it.

It was also noted that no correspondence has been received from the owner of B4. He has a fuel credit of approximately \$1,100 and has been invoiced for approximately \$700 in ground lease and associated charges, resulting in approximately \$400 credit on his account. The board tabled the discussion until/unless the invoiced amount exceeds his credit.

Old Business:

Broad Leaf Control – Gary Morris

No update available.

Hangar C1 Update – Andrew Mundt

No update from Andrew was available. It was noted that he plans to pour concrete in in about 3 weeks. The door installation will follow shortly thereafter.

Acrease Mowers – Steve Friel

Steve reported that someone bought all the new engines from our supplier, so we will not be able to stock a spare for a while. Steve submitted \$495.77 for parts reimbursement. He suggested replacing the blades, oil filter, air filter, and spark plugs, having a spare belt on hand, and changing the oil. This would incur approximately \$146 in additional funds. TJ Graden made a motion to reimburse Steve and perform the additional maintenance items. 2nd by Roger Doran. Motion passed. It was also noted that we should label the mowers and engines so we can more clearly track maintenance.

Recreational Aviation Foundation – Andrew Mundt / Shellie Graden

Shellie reported she has submitted the survey and pictures. They requested camping locations be noted on the map – the board decided that north, east, and south of the club house (but north of the taxiway) are acceptable.

4th of July Fly-In Breakfast – Shellie Graden

Shellie reported that nearly all work station assignments have been filled for both shifts.

Bob Fernandez will run the gun raffle.

Jerry and Nicole Hose will run the 50/50 raffle.

The board decided that Sunday 2 July 2023 will be the hangar preparation day.

Airport Brochure – Nicole Hose

Nicole reported that the final version of the brochure will be available soon.

Auto Gas Fuel Pump – TJ Graden

Michleg has received the new pump (for Auto Fuel) and will be installing it within 5 to 7 days.

Weather Station – TJ Graden / Gary Melvin

TJ will send the make/model of the station he has to Gary. Gary will do further research on it.

Airport Sign Lighting – Jon Bargren

Jon reported that a quality and effective solar light installation will require a minimum of \$1,000. It was decided to investigate the “spare wire” that is allegedly buried to the beacon tower as a power source. If the wire is a viable options, we will need to trench in a wire to between the beacon tower and the airport sign.

Nick Lung Memorial Bench – Shellie Graden

Shellie reported that a 6 ft bench will cost between \$1,600 and \$1,800. Roger Doran made a motion to proceed with the memorial bench. 2nd by Gary Melvin. Motion passed. It will say (capitalization TBD):

“In Memory Of”
“Nick Lung”
“Fly The Damn Airplane”

To-Do List Whiteboard

Jon Bargren will install the whiteboard inside the club house.

New Business:

Internet Signal Distribution Improvement – TJ Graden

DC Computers visited the airport and suggest the following:

120-deg WiFi antenna be mounted on the beacon tower (approx. \$175).

120 VAC will be needed at the beacon tower (see Old Business item “Airport Sign Lighting”).

Each Hangar wishing to access the signal would need approx. \$200 in equipment.

Monthly service rate would \$49. If the speed is inadequate, it would be \$99/month for faster service.

Hangar Leases – Gary Melvin

Gary reported that he got the box of airport leases from the previous airport manager. The transfer and new lease of Hangar A6 to Jerry Hose as been completed.

New Hangar Info Packet – Shellie Graden / Gary Melvin

Gary reported the box of leases retrieved from the previous airport manager has a section with the packets. Shellie, Gary, and others will review the current content and update the packet.

Grounds Update - TJ Graden

TJ reported that a Thompson Gas (LP) truck got stuck behind B-row hangars. Rut repair needed. Steve Friel repaired the ruts from snow plowing.

Jon Bargren repaired the rollers then rolled the runway, taxiways, and, as needed, around the hangars. In some cases, there were multiple passes.

Tie Down Relocation – Jon Bargren

It was decided that the tie downs will face south. Jon will install them.

Update on Bargren/Graden Property – TJ Graden

The Bargren/Graden property that borders the NE corner of the airport may have fuel trucks and other activity near the property line. At the request of TJ, board discussed whether or not special signage is needed to delineate airport and non-airport property. The board decided that special signage was not needed and deferred to the discretion of the property owners.

Ongoing Projects

JD Fire Extinguisher – will be installed before the mowing season begins

Electrical Service Evaluation – nothing new

Raffle Drawing:

The April raffle ticket winners were:

Julie Smith #0089 and Keith/Linda Stranberg #0092

Previous winners:

January: Joe Kielsmeier Sr #0154 and Lynnette Hough #0105

February: Wyatt Holaday #0027 and RG Hough #0106

March: Aneda Ebert #0109 and Keith/Linda Stranberg #0093

Thank You:

- Jon Bargren for runway/taxiway rolling and roller maintenance
- Shellie Graden for The RAF follow-thru.
- Steve Friel for continued Acrease mowers maintenance.
- Shellie Graden for ongoing 4th of July Breakfast preparations.
- TJ Graden for pursuing airport internet service options.
- Doug Schiller for finding the airport leases box.
- Shellie Graden for follow-thru on the Nick Lung Memorial Bench.
- Jon Bargren for airport sign solar lighting research.
- Gerry Hough for reseaching CD rates at Edward Jones.
- Shellie Graden for providing the 2023 Q1 report.

Adjourn:

The meeting was adjourned at 1913.

The next Board of Directors meeting will be held on Monday 1 May 2023 at 1800 Hrs at C55.