

Arizona Early Day Gas Engine & Tractor Association



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING April 17, 2023

Meeting Location – Club Farmland

Board meeting was called to order by Jerry Geiger at 6:02pm. The invocation and pledge of allegiance was led by Jerry Geiger.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present:

Jerry Geiger, Tim Brain, Jason Muller, Mark Sion, Sarah Geiger, Ed Savage (via phone), Jim Brain (via phone), Ryan Thorman and Paul Laipple.

MINUTES OF March 20, 2023 MEETING: Mark 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 March 2023 financials. The club's laptop has been returned back to the club from the accountant. Tim needs to update the January, February and March entries to bring everything up to date. Bills that were paid this past month were \$500 to the Maricopa County Buyers Fund, \$43 portable J-Jon repairs, \$168 Two Cylinder Advertising for shows, \$1240 Tri-Media for AJ Show (radio station). Membership renewals received in March was \$375.00.

Main Checking Account Balance: \$72,487.61

Main Savings Account Balance: \$63,912

Case Steam Engine Account: \$12,405.55

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

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FARMLAND: Ed reported that Lonnie reached out regarding payment for the last couple of cuttings. We had a cutting November 8th (169 bales), December 23rd (29 bales) and March 31st (122 bales). Tim is going to look and see if a check was paid for the November cutting and will get a check sent to Lonnie for all recent cuttings to get him caught up. The next alfalfa cutting is expected in about 3 weeks. The corn has been planted in the

east field and has already two waterings. Ed will be planting the Northwest border the weekend of April 21st with sweet corn and the Northeast border with field corn for the engine guys. Ryan will work with Ed to get his sprayer (which is over at Larry's house) and get the farm sprayed for weed control so that the farm looks good for the annual business meeting on May 6th. The club has plenty of chemicals in the west container that Ryan will use.

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

COMMUNICATIONS/WEBSITE/MEMBERSHIP – No update or discussion

STEAM ENGINE • Jerry has reached out to Jeff Smith for a more detailed update so that it can be shared with the club at the annual meeting. What we do know is that Jeff Lund has the steam engine in various stages of completion and is awaiting inspection. He is waiting on a couple of other unrelated projects in his shop that also will need an inspection and do them all at the same time to save some money and time.

CLUB EVENTS:

- **Mile High Club Show:** Paul reported that the show was successful and well attended. They charged a \$5 donation at the gates which helped bring in some revenue to their club. Paul appreciated the support from AEDGE&TA and AHAA for helping them this year. It was held at the lot adjacent to Tractor Supply and there was a steady flow of people and cars all day long. No issues or accidents to report. Looking at possibly doing a show this fall at the fairgrounds as part of another organization. More information to follow.
- **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.
- **Annual Business Meeting – Saturday, May 6th** Come around 5pm to socialize and check out the happenings at the farm. Dinner will be served around 5:30pm and the business meeting will be held after dinner. Sarah will be sending out an email with further information on how to RSVP so the club knows how much food to order. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. The club will provide the main meal (BBQ) and sodas and waters.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **City of Glendale/Dog Park Property:** No update or discussion
- **Club's JD B Tractor Restoration project:** Jason reported that Mike Westfall has successfully got the club's JD B tractor running. There are still some adjustments to be completed (seals and gaskets) but it is running under its own power. Once everything is finalized, the tractor will be brought back to the farm for club member use, tractor shows and parades.
- **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:** No Update or discussion
- **Officers Insurance** – Mark reported that he still needs some financial information from Tim to complete the application. Now that the club's laptop is back from the accountant, Tim will work with Mark the week of April

17th to get the required information that the insurance company requires and sent off. It is anticipated that the director's insurance can be finalized and in force in the next few weeks.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Attorney Review** – The board discussed that having an attorney review the Mutual of Understanding document that we have been using for the satellite clubs is sufficient for protection of all clubs involved. Jerry spoke with Randy Evans about the situation and he is asking for a retainer of \$2K to even discuss further or read an email. Jerry got the impression that Randy is too busy to take us on as a client and therefore the board discussed other options and not continue with Randy Evans. Jerry has a call into another attorney to get their feedback. Jason mentioned his sister is an attorney in New York and will make a call to her to see if this something that she has experience with and if she would be able to advise us.
- **Election of Officers** – At the annual business meeting on May 6th, the club will need to elect 4 officers to the board of directors. Currently both Jerry and Ed have completed their 4 years of service and will need to step down. Tim and Sarah will have completed their 2-year term and are eligible to run again for another 2-year term. All club members are encouraged to give back to the club and serve on the board or a committee at some point. If you haven't had the chance to help out the club in the past or it has been a while, perhaps this is the time to step up. Thanks to Jerry, Ed, Tim and Sarah for your dedicated service to the club!

ADJOURNMENT:

Tim made a motion and Mark seconded to adjourn at 7:02pm. Motion carried.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 15, 2023 at the club's farmland off of 87th Avenue between Olive and Northern Avenues.