

Arizona Early Day Gas Engine & Tractor Association



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING June 19, 2023

Meeting Location – Club Farmland

The board meeting was called to order by Jason Muller at 6:01pm. The invocation was led by Phil Frandsen and pledge of allegiance was led by Emmalyn Savage.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present:

Jason Muller, Tim Brain, Mark Sion, Tom Trainor, Ryan Thorman, Lyle Clark, Paul Laipple and Jim Brain (via phone).

Absent: Mike McIver

MINUTES OF MAY 15, 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 May 2023 financials. Expenses paid: tax return preparation \$800, membership meeting food/supplies \$702, badges and plaques \$211, farmland services \$2726. Income received: membership renewals \$200, hay sales \$2578, interest \$21.67, pro-rated insurance adjustment from Northern AZ club \$133.

Main Checking Account Balance: \$62,587

Main Savings Account Balance: \$63,955

Case Steam Engine Account: \$12,405

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

OLD BUSINESS & STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Farmland: Ed reported the alfalfa will be cut in about two weeks. The corn in the east field and NE boarder are both doing well. He also presented three recommendations for the 2023 alfalfa replacement plan with these essentials: Plan A to plant both the east and west fields to alfalfa....Plan B to plant east to alfalfa and west to traditional crop rotation....Plan C plant east to alfalfa and west as a “you pick it” program to be developed. After discussion the board

decided to adopt a modified Plan A with east and west planted to alfalfa and concepts of the “you pick it” for the wall boarders. Motion made by Ryan and seconded by Lyle. Motion passed.

Mile High Club: Paul reported there are currently 40-50 members, and their meetings are the third Saturday of each month. The club awarded two \$500 scholarships to students pursuing agricultural related studies. Club members have, and will be, participating in several parades. Upcoming events include a show at TSC September 9 and display at Yavapai College October 7. Paul again expressed appreciation for Valley members participating in their events and hopes for more.

Northern Arizona Club: Jim reported the club is participating in a July 4th event in Donney Park. The club is also completing updates and upgrades to their pulling sled.

AHAA/C3: Phil reported all annual renewal and filing requirements are complete courtesy of Leslie McConnell.

Communications/Website: Mike is traveling and absent. No report.

Membership Directory: The Geiger’s are traveling. No report.

Steam Engine Restoration: Jason reported on dialog between Jeff Lund, Jeff Smith and himself. All recent inspections passed and there are indications we could have the engine here for the February show. It was discussed that we should request copies of all inspection reports. Contacts have been made with club member Bill Pardee to facilitate needed steam operator training/certification. Tom will be mailing JL a check for \$9,300 this week.

Director and Officer Insurance: Mark reported our agency provided a policy effective 06-06-23 to 09-24-24 that is pro-rated at \$1625. This will make the D&O policy have the same term as our other policy. Tom will pay the invoice. Jason will contact the agency to inquire about any requirements we may have to notify them of club events to ensure insurance coverage.

SHOWS AND EVENTS:

Sahuaro Ranch Park Show: Ed reported that he contacted officials and reserved/secured required dates and permit requirements. Tom volunteered to be the show chair and the board expressed their appreciation.

Glendale Hometown Christmas Parade: Ed reported he attended their committee meeting and changes and improvements are being made for staging and organization. Looking for someone to take lead on this.

AJ Show: Tim reported that for the next show, it will be a team leadership effort with himself, Phil Frandsen, and Ken and Rhonda Baker. Previously, Ken and Rhonda had presented ideas for improving the show layout.

North Phoenix Tractor Drive: No report.

East Valley Events: Phil reported details of the upcoming Mesa July 4th Celebration Event. He visited the location for our display, and it is grass and has tree shade with an expected attendance of over 50,000. A “sign up genius” for participation has been generated.

NEW BUSINESS

Big Engine cover/protection structure project at farmland: Lyle will be the lead on the project and has some ideas of how to proceed. Since the “Dog Park” property opportunity seems to be a stalled issue, we anticipate using the club-owned building materials to construct the structure. He needs to inventory materials available to proceed.

Club email account/forwarding with Go Daddy: Jason reported that changing various email officer addresses on our website is costly so the work-around will be to leave them as is and make manual forwarding adjustments.

OTHER BUSINESS

Agenda items for next month:

- Need for an attorney to examine club merger language. Ed to make a new contact.
- Discuss and plan to update our asset register.
- Examine By-Laws for possible updates. Tom had a copy with him and gave it to Jason.

ADJOURNMENT:

Tim made a motion and Ryan seconded to adjourn at 7:52pm. Motion carried.

The next meeting is scheduled for July 17, 2023 at the Club Farmland.