

ERCA Minutes 05/20/2023

- Attendance: 23

Treasurer's Report

Balance:	Apr 8 th , 2023	\$10,302.78
Expenses:	BBQ Supplies	\$170.65
	Concrete for Bench	\$15.00
	Replacement plank for bench	\$113.00
	Total Expenses	\$298.65
Income:	Member dues & new member fees	\$350.00
	BBQ Donations	\$107.00
	Creswell Swap Meet	\$205.00
	Total Income	\$662.00
Balance:	May 6 th , 2023	\$10,666.13

- As of May 6th, 49 renewed members plus 4 club officers.
- BBQ Supplies were more than average due to Dave picking up supplies that will last all season.
- Renewed members: Frank Blain, Sam Hiatt, Brian Ostlind, Alan Wellentin
- New member: AJ Thompson

Old Business:

- Martin read the treasurer's report.
- Bench is now good to use.
- Date for sand on the runway? Not yet, we want to make sure we're not going leave ruts in the field.
- Gravel for roads. Roger recommends gravel along the whole road and then some more to fill potholes. Roger to check with Mike on when this should happen.
- Status of batteries in solar charging station. Last replaced 7/12/12. To replace them with Harbor Freight ones will cost \$80, NAPA are \$150 per battery. We need a pair. Vote approved to replace the batteries with new ones from NAPA. If we can get a better price from Interstate before then, we'll go with them.
- Irrigation pump. Life expectancy is 1200 hours. We've put nearly 3000 hours on it. The cost to replace from Harbor Freight is \$289. Vote approved to get a replacement pump and have it on standby.
- Sam is helping with the mowing. He mentioned the hay is an issue. A new sweeper is needed on the mower. The cost to replace from Walmart is \$279. Vote approved to replace the sweeper.

- Jim would like to look at turning over the surface of the road using the grader that Al used to have (and still has visiting rights too 😊). Jim to coordinate with Al.
- Watering crew – Jim could do with a few more volunteers. Brian Ostlind volunteered. Roger can also help if needed.

New Business:

- Field maintenance:
 - Pit area has had weeds removed by flame thrower. More folks to help out after the meeting to do more.
 - Parking lot lines need repainting.
 - Bleachers need repainting.
 - Field was overseeded this week.
 - Fertilizer needs doing around first week of June. Needs to be purchased.
- New attendees introduced themselves:
 - Gary – was a member of the club a while ago. Father was a founding member of ERCA.
 - Cale – joined a few years ago but took last year off. Wants to fly more this year.
 - Ryan – used to fly with his grandfather, who cannot fly anymore. Ryan brought along some planes and things to see if anyone was interested in them.
- Memorial Day – Monday May 29th.
 - Dave asked about numbers for food - expect usual club meeting numbers, plus about 25%
 - Al asked if he could have poppies for the American Legion. Roger said we expected that would be the case.
- Remote Id devices were asked about. Martin gave an update on the current status of the FRIA (which has been applied for and we are waiting on a response). Remote Id devices are still an unknown.
- July 4th – Warbird fly-in
 - No pilot fee
- MonsterFest – August 11th-13th
 - Pilot fee - \$25.
 - Pat has requested that we increase money for prize purchase to \$1500.
 - If we can't get things from SupaTim we will need to get more from Eugene Toy & Hobby.
 - Ricky Bobby to contact SupaTim to see if he will give us a deal.
 - Ricky Bobby will talk to Pat to coordinate.
- Next meeting Saturday June 17th at the field.