

Meeting called to order at VFW at 7:30 pm by Vice-President, Joe Dunovsky.

*Guest/visitor introductions:* None

*Secretary's report:* Minutes of March 7, 2017, read, motion to accept, 2<sup>nd</sup>, approved as read.

*Treasurer's report:* Absent, report read, motion to accept as read, 2<sup>nd</sup>, approved.

*Executive Director:* Ed N said Jacob N reports the access gate will be replaced with a cable-gate and two shorter sets of locks on both sides. The access road to our field will be closed Sat 4-8-17, probably Sunday 4-9-17 due to RR crossing repairs. Pilots can walk to the field from the Lemont Rd parking lot or from our access road outside our gate. Also, the roads have been nicely improved with gravel. Finally, we need some trimming back of growth on road edges. Some tree limbs encroach on vehicles and pedestrians passing by.

*Committee reports:*

- Chief Instructor: Field itself is OK. Paul B tested our Plane Finder Receiver. Check your P.F. Tx before flying! (A Gardner Bender button battery tester is sold at Walmart for \$7.)
- Safety: John Horwath reviewed field safety rules and prepping aircraft for spring.

*Announcements:*

- Tonight is Club Swap starting before 7:30. This is for members-only, to Donate-To-Club, Sell, or Give-Away items. When done, left-over items go to owners, club, or dumpster.
- Arnie Zimmerman: Young Eagles, meet at Clow on Saturday, 9 to 12; South Hangar.
- We will have a guest speaker for the May meeting.
- Suburban RC Barnstormers Swap Meet at DuPage Cnty Fairgrounds, 4-15-17, 8 to noon.
  - S.A.C. club's Float Fly #1, 4-21-17, at Twin Lakes. Toledo Show April 7,8,9. SRCB Barnstormer's Swap April 15, 8 to 12. Go see our web site for all area-wide flying info.
- We need about 200 hobby magazines for distribution at Clow with our "info labels" on 'em. Please bring any magazines such as Model Aircraft, Park Flyers, etc., to next meeting.

Old Business:

New Business: Stan W proposed that for 2017, we eliminate member fees for youths 19 and younger as of July 1<sup>st</sup>; same as AMA started in 2011. (In November, WAM will consider whether to continue program in 2018.) Youths who already paid for 2017 will be refunded money. If approved, concept will be showcased ASAP as a "club-first" in WAM advertising. Purpose is to maintain or increase our WAM membership numbers, highlight WAM's efforts to help newcomers, eliminate two youth categories. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>, discussed, and approved.

Model Building, Maintenance, Hints: None. Guest Speaker: None. Planes/Points: None

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Number of meeting attendees today: 34.

Next meeting May 2, 7:30 at VFW.

Submitted by Stan Warden