

# Southern Eagle Squadron

## Southern Eagles Squadron Meeting Minutes October 15, 2015 Leesburg Community Center

The meeting was called to order by President Mickey Murphy at EXACTLY 7:00 PM

There were 23 members present constituting a quorum.

- Minutes of the September meeting were approved with one correction. A new member's name was incorrectly listed as Michael Rice should have been Michael Reich
- Jerry Rudnitsky gave the Treasurer's Report.
- Membership - Ralph Savino, Membership Chairman reported 175 members with 5 joining during the month prior to or during the meeting. The new members are Craig Griffith, Chuck Wyrick, Bridget Wyrick, Larry Zwagil and Tom Casale. Welcome to the club.
- Field Safety - Reports were given by Pratt Carter and Ed Popp. Ed stated that there was an instance of someone flying while mowing was being done along the driveway. He was asked not to fly and he immediately landed. The attendees were reminded that no one flies during the official mowing time if mowing is being done between 11am – 12:30pm on Thursdays. There were no serious incidents. Pratt reported only a few pit fly overs, mostly by pilots in training. For the benefit of new members the following statement will be repeated from the September minutes. We are reminded once again not to fly over the transfer station. All members must make effort to abide by the flying rules so as not to cause a problem with the county.
- Mowing – Carl Angleberger gave an unusually brief report on all mower issues. He stated that the new mowing schedule is posted at the field and on the website. He also purchased a new roller since the old one was leaking and could not be repaired. Currently all equipment is in good repair.
- Old Business:
  - Carl Angleberger outlined guidelines for the use of multi rotor craft at the field. He suggested that for training and hovering that the East end of the field be used. There was much discussion. He went on to say that if the craft was being flown in a pattern as fixed wing aircraft are flown then it could be flown anywhere. Hovering was the major issue. One member expressed concern that while flying fixed-wing, a drone hovered very near him and out of concern made it hard to concentrate on his flying.
  - Also brought up was the distinction between 3D hovering and multi rotor craft hovering. 3D pilots have been instructed in the past to do hovering over the tall grass not the landing area.
  - Comment was made that drones and their growing popularity are “new” both to government agencies and RC flying fields. It will take time for all of to learn how to assimilate all styles of flying, but we can work together to accommodate

everyone. A motion was made and seconded to adopt the multi rotor craft policy. In favor 18, Opposed 2, abstaining 1.

- President Mickey reported that the entrance road was repaired very quickly after a call to Lake County. However, the wash created by heavy rain will continue to undermine the edge and further work may need to be done privately.
- New Business:
  - President Mickey asked for volunteers to head up a Nominating Committee. There being no volunteers he appointed Pratt Carter, Carl Angleberger and Norman Paddock to fill that role.

The 50/50 winner received \$27.50. Once again, it was Tom Craig.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm

Respectfully submitted by Norman Paddock, Vice President