

**Radio Signal Modelers Flying Club**  
**August 2009 Newsletter**  
**August 3, 2009**



The August 2009 meeting was called to order by President Mike Meitus at the Shiller Park Flying Field at 6:30pm. Approximately 17 members were in attendance. Secretary Ted Noncek read the minutes of the July 2009 meeting which were approved by the club.

**Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer Terry Gombert presented the Treasurer's report. The club started July 2009 with a beginning cash balance of \$2,825 including \$41 in PayPal. During the month, the club paid out \$1,979.99 for the new lawn mower purchase, \$235.19 for the metal box for the shed extension, and \$135.07 for other supplies. Deposits were made in the amount of \$625, leaving the club with an ending cash balance of \$1,100 which includes \$41 in the PayPal account. The Treasurer's report was approved by the club.

**Field Maintenance Issues**

Vice-President Mike Reinhart gave a maintenance update for the August meeting. Mike thanked Tom Jacobs for letting the club store the new mower while the addition was put on the shed, and thanked Tibor Galfi for his help in transporting the mower to the shed, and for help in installing the metal extension box. The club thanks Mike Reinhart for his hard work in making the alteration to the shed, and for his tireless efforts at organizing and maintaining the field this year.

Mike noted that the used mower was sold for \$300 as we noted it would be at last month's meeting.

A discussion was held regarding rolling the field, as to whether it was too late to do this since it was not done in May. Since the meeting, we have learned that VP Mike was able to get the road crew to do this for us during August. Way to go Mike in getting this done for the club for free!

All the wood for the four additional flight stands are currently stored in the metal field box next to the shed. The wood was cut by George Shindler, and now has to be put together. A discussion was had around the idea of a field work party to get help in assembling the new stands. A date was set that as of the writing of these minutes did not work because of rain. Stand-by for a new date.

One last issue regarding the mower replacement discussed was the need to provide a final report to AMA as part of the \$200 Field Improvement Grant the club was lucky enough to receive toward the mower replacement. Secretary Ted Noncek said that he would send in the report.

Les asked about the rumor that the Forest Preserve District was going to cut trees along the eastern border of the field. President Mike explained to the club that the trees we were trying to get the FPD to cut were the two or so at the very north end of the eastern border. It was discussed with the FPD that a hole in the tree line further in would help keep us from flying over Irving Park Road which becomes necessary in certain wind conditions. It is not expected that any progress will be made on this until next year.

**Field Safety Issues**

No reports on field safety.

**Fun Flies**

The club does not currently have planned any fun flies in the near future. It was discussed that any plans for a fall fun fly would be discussed at the September meeting.

**Next Meeting—Monday, September 14th at 6:30pm at Flying Field**

The next meeting will take place at the Shiller Woods Flying Field and will begin at 6:30pm on September 14th due to the Labor Day holiday. We start early to give more time to flying. Please bring a plane to the meeting to get in some flights.

By Ted Noncek, Secretary (tnoncek@sbcglobal.net)