

Flagler County RAMS #2047 Monthly Meeting Minutes

Date: 01/18/2020 Time: 0900

- President, Bob Thierwechter called the meeting to order at 0900 hours, a quorum of 31 members were in attendance.
- The minutes from the December meeting were approved as recorded.
- The treasury report was reviewed by Jim Butler. Beginning balance 11/30 was \$9,840.34. Ending balance 12/31 was \$13,105.54. Treasurer report was approved.
- New Business: Bob Thierwechter
 - o **Safety Report:** We had a very serious incident this week. A member failed to secure his giant scale gas plane. Upon start up, the plane lurched forward causing severe cuts to his forearm. Fortunately, there was no nerve / tendon damage and his artery were not cut. Nevertheless, he was going into shock as a result. Fortunately, several members were available to assist and rush him to the hospital.

We had a lot of discussion, which we will continue at our next meeting regarding the need to always have at least two people in attendance at the field when flying. Obviously, it's a huge asset to have someone around. In this case, the end result could have been much worse if the flyer was all alone. Several suggestions that came out of our discussion:

- Try not to fly alone.
- Always have a cell phone with you.
- Have a check list for your starting procedures.
- "THINK" before you start your engine or motor.

Crash of The Month: This month the honors are shared by Jerry Columbus & Victor Dumet.

- o **Zero Turn Mower Purchase:** Kenny Victory delivered our new mower. Thanks for making all the arrangements Kenny. We voted and approved re-upholstering the other mower seat.
- o **Chairs:** New chairs will be delivered this coming week.
- o **2020 Club Picnic:** Next years' club picnic will be held here at the field, rather than a county pavilion. Scheduled date is March, 28th, 2020. This event will be catered and is for members / spouses and significant others only.
- o **Insurance:** Jim Butler discussed the idea of getting insurance for our mowers, equipment and trainer planes stored on our property. We voted and approved getting a \$15,000 policy for \$375 per year. Don't forget to always lock the shed and gate when leaving the field.
- o **Lost Planes:** Remember, if you lose a plane in the woods, there are plenty of rattlesnakes and water moccasins watching over you. Watch for them.
- o **Cooking:** Thank you Alan & Andrea Spaulding for cooking dogs & burgers for the club this morning. Really appreciate you guys.
- o Meeting adjourned at 0935 hours.