County Sheriff's Office

Yavapai County Sheriff's Air Group, Inc.

Meeting Minutes

30 October 2013

CALL TO ORDER at 7:00 pm Bud Lathrop

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Membership

MEMBERS PRESENT **Noel Urban**

Lenard Bleininger
Charles Gates
Farrell Harris
Bud Lathrop
Currie Lee
Mike Liversidge
Marge Matheny
Larry Minch
Kathy Moore
Pat Moore
John Olsen
Dan Pavelchak
Mel Tiensvold
Don Timmerman
Noel Urban

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS Bud Lathrop

Two new guests attended: Noel Campbell and Gary Baldwin. Both have extensive flight backgrounds.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES Bud Lathrop

Minutes of 28 August 2013 were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT Mel Tiensvold

Treasurer Mel Tiensvold provided the Treasurers report. Total assets are 2,316.05. Total report is on file.

COMMANDER'S REPORT Bud Lathrop

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Bud Lathrop and Currie Lee discussed the activation of center in the Prescott area. Mike Liversidge , Dan Berry and Bud Lathrop participated in checking out the system which uncovered some problems. The center coverage is due to be activated on 14Feb2014 but will probably be postponed.

Kathy Moore provided appropriate holiday cookies for the membership and was thanked for her thoughtfulness

OPERATIONS OFFICER REPORT Noel Urban

We had two missions last month. One was in the vicinity of Bloody Basin and flown by Chuck McCoy with Charles Gates as Observer. We were assigned location of a motorcycle rider overdue from his hunting

camp. The Sheriff's office helicopter was also assigned to the search. Chuck Successfully contacted Rescue 1 and divided up the search area however no successful sighting was achieved by either aircraft. The individual was found on foot about two days later at Sheeps Bridge. More information on the type of motorcycle would have been helpful to the search. A copy of the report is on file.

The second Mission involved searching for the truck of a homicide suspect. The mission was flown by Mike Liversidge with Currie Lee as observer. They searched in the area from Mayer to Crown King without success. A detective was supposed to be on site but was not. The suspect was later found in his vehicle dead of a self inflicted gunshot . A copy of the report is on file. Farrell Harris will be looking into the problem of communication with vehicles not equipped with aircraft radios. His contact will be Jim Grimm at the Sherriff's Posse.

FLIGHT SAFETY OFFICER REPORT Farrell Harris

Farrell Harris introduced Mel Tiensvold to discuss tax write-offs for our activities. Basically out of pocket expenses should be O.K. Some in the audience supported full pro-rated costs. All deductions should be discussed with your tax consultant

ADJUTANT REPORT Noel Urban

Future pilot and observer availability is on file.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS Bud Lathrop

Bud Lathrop discussed sending a letter to the Sheriff about approaching other agencies to seek missions. He has a draft but will hold off for now based on the recent missions we have received.

Bud discussed our tradition of providing support to the Marine Corps Toys for Tots. The idea was shelved for now. Others opted for communications equipment for our group

Curry Lee discussed communication with the PRC tower. Need an updated letter of agreement with the tower. Mike Liversidge and Dan Berry will visit the tower and complete action.

Bud Lathrop discussed the problem with the background check form. There was general agreement that the present form was unacceptable. Bud Lathrop is following-up.

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NEW BUSINESS Bud Lathrop

The next meeting will be a dinner meeting in November. Tentatively planned for December 12, 2013 at the Bonn Fire Restaurant in Chino Valley

Mike Liversidge mentioned that there will be additional testing of the PRC Center system in December. Leonard Bleininger agreed to help.

Bud announced that the next training session is scheduled for April 2014. Paper work will be sent to our guests.

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MEMBER COMMENTS. Members
none

SET NEXT MEETING DATE Bud Lathrop

Next formal meeting will be on 29Jan2014

ADJOURNMENT 8:20 pm