THE SIGNAL

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Meeting Schedule

Meeting Dates: Feb 10, Mar 10, Apr 14, May, 12, Jun 9, Jul 14, Aug 11, Sep 8, Oct 13, Nov 10, Dec TBD

Meeting Time: 7:pm

Meeting Location: By Zoom

Meeting Minutes

January Meeting Minutes 1/13/2021

The January meeting was called to order by our President via Zoom call.

Roll Call – Doug Sanders made the roll call. There were 12 members present via Zoom call. Doug reported 23 members have joined so far this year. Membership cards were recently mailed for paid members.

Treasurers Report – Jim Benedict gave the treasurers report. Jim reported that he had received a bill from the O'Fallon Sewer Service for $100 for the period Nov 2020 thru Mar 2021 for the Porta Potty. Jim paid the bill. We need to find out how O'Fallon Sewer is charging the club.

Motion to approve.

Doug reported that he has a number of checks to be deposited. Jim agreed to meet with Doug and deposit these in January. Hawkeye and Jim are working on getting the bank account transferred. There seems to be a problem with finding a US bank near Hawkeye, we may have to find another bank more convenient.

Secretary's report – Approved.

Safety report – none

Field report – Frank reported that the road to the field is pretty "mushy". The farmer had made some ruts in the road. The battery has been removed from the tractor for winter storage and is on a trickle charge.

Old business – Richard reported information on the final FAA drone ruling dated Dec. 28, 2020. There are three options on the drone or UAS tracking system. This is a short summary of each option taken from AMA streaming of Dec 29. The FAA is referring to all aircraft as UAS (Unmanned Aircraft System) including model airplanes.

OPTION 1- STANDARD REMOTE ID -Identify both the UAS and control station. Manufactures will be required to install remote ID modules in their aircraft starting in mid 2022. This option applies to drones "beyond line of sight" like delivery companies such as Amazon and any other commercial business. The serial number of the remote ID module will be tied to the person's FAA registration number.

OPTION 2 – BROADCAST MODULES – Identify line-of-sight UAS operations. Same remote ID module as option one but will be removable to install in other aircraft and will not send the location of the control station. FAA estimated cost between $20 and $50. The broadcast module will have a serial number that you enter on your FAA registration. This option applies to drones (UAS) flying at a non-approved site, such as your own back yard, fields or any location that is not registered with the FAA as an established site.

OPTION 3 – FIXED FLYING SITE – Identify CBO location with line-of-sight UAS operations. (Community Based Operations) This option applies to clubs or educational institutes with established flying sites, such as ours and will be exempt from the ID module. The club will have to register will the FAA, and also each member will have to be register with the FAA, $5 for three years. Your FAA number and information must be on each aircraft on the outside of the aircraft. AMA will help clubs get registered with the FAA.

Web site to register or renew FAA certificate: faadronezone.faa/org   then click on FAADroneZone

You should get a blue screen with a little drone, a copter & cub flying in and out.
 You want the link – I fly under the Exception for Recreational Flyers to register.

Another link for Q&A on remote ID: modelaircraft.org/gov

New Business – Richard reported he will need to re-register the club with AMA for the new year with new officers for, cost will be $120.00

Show and Tell – none

50/50 – none

Attendance Prizes – none

Motion to adjourn

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