

Largo Flying Club
General Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 7, 2014

The Largo Flying Club October general meeting was called to order by President Kevin Day @ 7:00 PM. 38 members were present. Vice-President Dave Gearheart recorded the meeting minutes in Secretary Mary Tittle's absence.

President Kevin read the minutes from the September general meeting. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Kathy White and seconded by Ernie Reidel. Motion carried.

Vice-President Dave read the Treasurer's report as supplied by absent Treasurer Paul DeSocio. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report as read was made by Ernie Reidel and seconded by Steve Wofsey. Motion carried.

Safety Officer Ray Crumrine reported we had 2 seven day groundings for the month. Both were for crashing out of bounds. Ray reminded all pilots to stay in a designated flight station box while flying, particularly after hand launching aircraft.

Field Maintenance Officer Robbie Riggle reported that the new solar panels have thus far kept the batteries at 100% peak charge. In September 3697 amp hours were used. The banana jacks were replaced and a weatherproof 12v cigarette lighter type jack was added at each charging station. Please keep the rubber caps in place when not in use. The mounting brackets were fabricated by Dave Gearheart, Robbie Riggle installed the jacks at two stations and Steve Philbin installed the jacks at the remaining six stations. A gas grill was donated to the club by Ron Cheshire. Taping of the seams in the fabric ground cover is 90% complete.

Chief Flight Instructor Dave Gearheart presented a solo certificate and wings to member Jerry Harasty. Jerry worked with Dave, Ray Crumrine and Tom Wojocieczowski.

Member Steve Philbin reported that he reviewed the first aid box at the field and found it to be in good order. Nothing is needed at this time.

President Kevin Day announced vacancies for 2015 club officers: President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Newsletter Editor will definitely need to be filled for 2015. In addition, four members to serve on the Board of Directors will be needed.

President Kevin Day discussed he and Larry Tittle's meeting with Joan Byrne regarding the use of FPV Drones. It was made clear that more than likely these type of vehicles spotted outside of LFC Field boundaries do not belong to our members. Regrading the runway was discussed and Joan did not feel it would be an issue getting help from the city on the project. The city will provide a barbecue dinner at our December 2nd meeting.

Two visitors, Eric Viglione and Phil Bayly approached the club regarding the possibility of accepting control line pilots and control line flying into LFC membership. They estimated between 6 and 12 CL pilots would be interested in joining LFC. They would require a 160' diameter runway circle with a minimum of 100' to the outside for a safety buffer. They asked to come to LFC field for a demo.

Bill Norris was welcomed as a first time visitor and new member to LFC.

Member Steve Philbin reminded the members about the blue recycle bins and the types of objects that should and should not be put in them.

Door prizes were raffled.

With nothing further to come to the floor, member Kathy White made a motion to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by member Steve Wofsey. Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.