

**Chagrin Valley Astronomical  
Society Meeting Minutes of  
June 28, 2014 Indian Hill  
Observatory**

**NOTE: this was the evening of our OTAA Convention and the decision was made to have the July Business Meeting due the first Saturday in July falling too close the 4<sup>th</sup>.**

**Call to Order**

President Gus Saikaly opened the meeting at 8:03 PM

**Secretary's Report**

June 7<sup>th</sup>. Minutes posted to the Website – no additions or corrections.

**Treasurer's Report**

Steve Fishman reported the following:

|                                |                    |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| Bank Balance -                 | \$5,130.82         |
| Marty Fund -                   | \$4,187.00         |
| John Gorka Fund -              | \$100.00           |
| N. Observatory Automation Fund | \$625.00           |
| Petty Cash-                    | \$49.00            |
| <b>Total -</b>                 | <b>\$10,091.82</b> |

**Expenses**

|                |       |
|----------------|-------|
| Phone/Internet | 56.95 |
| Electric       | 41.56 |

**Editor**

No Report

**Observatory Director**

Tractor Repair – After replacing the Engine Head and Gasket the tractor is no running perfectly. The “moth balls” appear to be controlling the mouse problems.

Will be ordering fill/top soil for the drainage area below the North Observatory.

Tom Pauklavec has made excellent progress clear out the “swamp” about the N. Observatory. Plans are to include drainage and fill to make this area usable and hopefully prevent the heaving of the piers in the N. Observatory that we saw from last winter.

### **Director of Observations**

Mike Hambrecht handed out Bob Modics report, noting the various upcoming star parties and events. For a complete list of events, check the calendar site at <http://www.rjm-astro.net/eventcal.html>

### **Vice-President**

Marty Mullet explained that we are now waiting on response from the Cleveland Foundation for the \$13K in grant requests he submitted. feedback on their acceptance.

### **Observatory Park:**

Ian and Dan will attend the June 30<sup>th</sup>. TAG meeting for the restoration of the Nassau facility has started up again –  
<http://www.geaugaparkdistrict.org/observatorypark.shtml>

### **Old Business:**

No old business.

### **Visitors:**

We have members from Black River and Cuyahoga Astronomical Association attending

**Gus adjourned the meeting at 8:12 pm.**

**Next meeting is August 2<sup>nd</sup> at Indian Hill Observatory. Start time is 8 PM.**