

**Chagrin Valley Astronomical Society**  
**Meeting Minutes for February 7<sup>th</sup>. 2015**  
**Sunnybrook Preserve**

**Call to order**

President Marty Mullet opened the meeting at 7:30. We had 19 members present.

**Secretary's Report**

January's minutes are posted to the website – no changes were suggested.

**Treasurer's Report**

Steve Fishman reported the following:

Bank Balance	\$ 3,490.38
Marty Fund	\$ 4,687.00
John Gorka Fund	\$ 600.00
North Observatory Automation Fund	\$ 625.00
Petty Cash	\$ 130.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$9,532.38</b>

Expenses

- \$ 57.61 phone bill.

- \$ 45.82 Electric

- \$ 391.82 Marty Mullet for Kaba Keyless Access Lock

Extraordinary Income for the month

\$1,000 from the Aurora Astronomical Society

**Observatory Director**

Indian Hill is pretty much snowed in.

Hopefully we'll have access in time for our Messier Marathon.

## Observations Director

Marty read through Bob Modic's February Sky Calendar. Available here <http://rjm-astro.net/skycal.html>

## The Valley Skywatcher - Editor Ron Baker

Winter issue is on the website

### Old Business:

None

### New Business:

1. Marty detailed the Vandalism that occurred at Indian Hill over the New Year's weekend (please contact one of CVAS's Officers for more information) – as a result of this we have:
  - Replaced all the key and combination locks
  - Installed several video surveillance cameras
  - Installed a Keyless Entry System to the Main Observatory – each member will have their own access code.

Marty made it clear that the Cameras and Keyless Entry are NOT to "spy" on people. The information they obtain will only be accessed if there is another incident at Indian Hill

2. Marty requested ideas to activate the "Gorka fund" in line with the work John did with light pollution. It was important to him and should be to us. Perhaps IDA would be good place to start, but we're certainly open to any ideas.

It was suggested that we could send local Municipalities and Businesses information on reducing Light Pollution.

3. The progress of the Nassau Restorations Project, and CVAS's involvement, were briefly discussed

We had 3 guests from Mayfield High School's Science Olympiad Astronomy Team.

Next Meeting will be March 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 at Sunnybrook Preserve.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:50