

Chagrin Valley Astronomical Society

Meeting Minutes for June 1st 2019

Indian Hill Observatory



Call to order:

President George Trimble opened the meeting at 8:00 pm with 13 members and 2 guests present.

We added 2 new members at this meeting.

Membership as of 6/1/19 is 37 including 7 lifetime, 4 of whom have not participated in years. Active member ship is 33.

Secretary's Report:

The May minutes have not yet been posted they will be reviewed and approved next month.

Treasurer's Report:

Steve Fishman reported the following:

Bank Balance	\$4029.95
Marty Fund	\$5687.00
John Gorka Fund	\$600.00
North Observatory Automation Fund	\$625.00
Petty Cash	\$12.00
Total	\$10,953.95

Expenses for the month:

Electric	-73.12
Web Hosting	-95.00
Mouse Repellers	-45.98
Camera Cables	-10.98
Total	(\$ 225.08)

Observatory Director's Report:

Weather permitting, would like to schedule "Work Sessions" prior to Monthly Meetings.

- Repair siding and trim on N. Observatory, Shed and Dome (Pricing needed)
- Stain Fence

- Issues with the brake band on the tractor
- Tractor deck is very rotted.

Observations Director's Report:

Gus Saikaly presented the Monthly Sky Calendar. If you did not receive the email copy, please advise.

Editor:

Chris Powell is collecting member's stories, and recollections of the Apollo missions for the next newsletter.

Old Business:

Chagrin Valley Art by the Falls, June 8th and 9th. – we'll have tent and table-top display. Volunteers need for both days.

New Business:

Mayfield Library will have a 50th moon landing event on July 20th.

Marty reported on The International Dark Sky Assoc. (IDA) meeting that was held at Observatory Park. They have offered their resources to CVAS.

Discussion of Oratory placement.

Discussed active membership.

Discussed the electric bill.

Discussed the Rack Card.

Discussed the Library Club.

Larry discussed a new GoFundMe page.

Discussed the creation of a fund raising committee to purchase additional land for Indian Hill. Volunteers were Larry Borros, Marty Mullet, Steve Fishman, Ian Cooper (Chair), and Joe Masar

Events:

- Friday, June 7 – 8:30-10:00 pm – Girdled Road Reservation (canceled clouds)

- Saturday June 15th 8:00 pm – 11:00 pm CVAS Night at Nassau Station. (canceled clouds)
- Saturday June 29th CVAS OTAA Event
- Saturday, July 20th 50th Anniversary of the Lunar Landing. Mayfield Branch of the Cuyahoga County Public Library.
- Saturday July 20th 8:00 pm – 11:00 pm CVAS Night at Nassau Station.
- Saturday, August 10 – 8-12:00 am – Super Star Party. Penitentiary Glen Reservation
- Friday, November 1 – Time TBD - Penitentiary Glen Reservation

Next Monthly meeting:

Will be held July 6st at Indian Hill Starting at 8:00pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45PM

Presentation: