

Chagrin Valley Astronomical Society

Meeting Minutes for May 7th, 2022



- Current Officers
 - Joe Masar – President
 - Ram Kiparski – Vice President
 - Steve Fishman – Treasurer
 - Russ Swaney – Assistant
 - Scott Kuntz – Secretary
 - Rob Beers – Observatory Director
 - Gus Saikaly – Observations Director
 - Dan Rothstein – Historian
 - Chris Powell – Editor

Location: Observatory Park

Meeting was called to order at 8:00 P.M. by Vice President Ram Kiparski

13 members present

0 guests

Secretary's Report:

- April's minutes were approved and posted to the CVAS website.

Historian:

- Dan is compiling all the previous Meeting Minutes.
- An article about OTAA history will be included in the Valle Skywatcher.

Treasurer's Report:

Bank Balance	\$6,430.14	
Petty Cash	\$63.00	
Total	\$6,493.14	
Income for the Month	\$ 40.00	Dues
Expenses for the Month	\$101.18 \$95.00	Electric 60 KWH actual Internet website (Russ)

- PO Box Monitor: Geauga County Library Flyer
- 32 Active members.
- Junior member added

- There was some discussion about making dues payable at the same time of year. Dan pointed out that the constitution states that dues are payable at time of membership.

Director of Observations Report:

- May Sky Calendar emailed to membership.

Valley SkyWatcher Editor:

- Deadline for the next issue submissions is May 31.

Observatory Director's Report:

- Rob Beers showed photos of the brush and tree clearing.
- New poles are installed on the 16" observatory flaps.
- An 80mm finder scope with reticle was installed on the 16" scope.
- The dome will have a marker to confirm that the shutter is closed.
- Breakers will be labelled in the warm room.
- A new light dimmer was installed in the north observatory.

Old Business:

- "Art By The Falls" June 11 – 12th (Riverside Park, Chagrin Falls)
 - Volunteers needed both days
 - Marty suggested we sell Astrophotography prints
- Our OTAA is June 25th at Observatory Park
- Need to update the mailing list

New Business:

- OTAA Dates
 - Mahoning Valley August 27
 - Black River Sept 24
 - CAA – no date published
- Geauga Parks District Twilight Soiree is August 20.

Next Monthly meeting:

- June 4, 2022, 8:00 P.M. at Indian Hill

Calendar Events:

- CVAS Nights at Nassau May 21 starting at 7pm

Presentations/Discussions:

- Ram Kiparski: Meteorites and Murchison soil
- Russ Swaney: Lunar eclipse simulation using Starry Night software
- Russ Swaney: Raleigh scattering.

The meeting was adjourned at 08:23 pm.