

# Chagrin Valley Astronomical Society

## Meeting Minutes for September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022.

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

Location: Indian Hill

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by President Joe Masar.

15 members present

3 guests

### Secretary's Report:

- August minutes were approved and posted to the CVAS website.

### Historian:

- Dan reported he has a bunch of telescope making, and Sky & Telescope magazines he would like to give to anyone interested.

### Treasurer's Report:

Bank Balance	\$ 7,750.75
Petty Cash	\$ 20.00
Total	\$ 7,770.75

Income for the month:

\$354.00 dues.

\$250.00 – Pen Glen Super Star Party

Expenses for the month:

\$91.86 Electric 31 kWh Actual

\$563.98 Paid to Russ on September 2 for:

- Foam Board for mounting new Tabletop Display pictures	\$ 30.18
- Lowes – hinges, bolts, foam (Rear Flaps & Dome door repair)	\$ 26.24
- Home Depot – tractor exhaust bolts	\$ 5.86
- Post Office – ServoCat shipping	\$ 10.70
- ServoCat Repair	\$ 470.00
- Gas for tractor	\$ 21.00

Annual Insurance. Received invoice, due in October. Increase from \$589 to \$644. I will pay later this month and report the expense in the October finance report.

PO Box Monitor: No new data.

Membership from August 33

At this meeting added 1 new member and 1 renewal.

#### **Director of Observations Report:**

- Sept. Sky Calendar emailed to membership.
- Gus encouraged members to try and enjoy the "naked eye" spectacle in the early morning skies, with the constellations Auriga, Orion, Taurus, and several bright stars as well as well as the planets Venus, Mars, and Jupiter."

#### **Valley SkyWatcher Editor:**

- Deadline for submissions was Sept 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- Next issue will be sent out the week of Sept 5<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Observatory Director's Report:**

- The ServoCat has been repaired and is working.

#### **Old Business:**

- None

#### **New Business:**

- A motion was made to pay off any of the CVAS' outstanding loans. The motion was seconded and affirmed by majority vote.

- The annual call for Officers. Term commencing after vote, or confirmation at the November meeting.
  - Current Nominees:
    - President – Ian Cooper
    - Vice President – Dan Rothstein
    - Treasurer - Steve Fishman
    - Secretary - Scott Kuntz
    - Observatory Director - Rob Beers
    - Observations Director - Gus Saikaly
    - Dan Rothstein – Historian
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### **Next Monthly meeting:**

- October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022, 7:00 P.M. at Indian Hill

### **Calendar Events:**

- CVAS Nights at Nassau September 17<sup>th</sup> starting at 7:00 pm.
- September 17. North Chagrin. Nature at night. They had to publish the event in their newsletter before we could commit volunteers to their event. Find out if anyone is available to assist and I will contact the naturalist that we will bring xx scopes to help.
- Final OTAA event for 2022. Black River on Sept 24.
- Hidden Hollow star party Sept. 24.

### **Presentations/Discussions:**

- Marty mentioned a need for 5 or 6 speakers to address the SkyWatchers group next year. Occurs on the first Monday of each month.
- Chris mentioned a good turnout at the Geauga County Fair. Suggested we may want to participate next year. Marty indicated that he could inquire with Geauga Parks.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.