

Chagrin Valley Astronomical Society

Meeting Minutes for November 5th, 2022



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

Location: Observatory Park

Meeting was called to order at 7:02 P.M. by President Joe Masur

21 members present

Secretary's Report:

- September's minutes were approved and posted to the CVAS website.
- The October meeting was cancelled

Historian:

- Found a list of CVAS officers from 1965-1988. Dan would like to publish this list naming past presidents and possibly vice presidents.
- Brought additional books and magazines for member to take

Treasurer's Report:

Bank Balance	\$7173.62	
Petty Cash	\$20.00	
Total	\$7193.62	
Income for the Month	\$ 72.00	Dues
Donations from October Star Party	\$200.00 \$223.00	Guests Crooked Pecker Brewery

Donations	\$75.00	Ten West Salon
Geauga County	208.31	Real estate tax rebate
Expenses for the Month	\$92.98	Electric 33 KWH actual
Insurance	\$644.00	

- PO Box Monitor: No report
- 31 Active members.

Director of Observations Report:

- November Sky Calendar emailed to membership.
- The next lunar eclipse will occur on November 8th starting around 0300 EST
- The Leonid meteor shower will occur on November 17th and 18th.

Valley SkyWatcher Editor:

- Asked for inputs by December 3rd for publication the 1st or 2nd week of December.
- The editor has a book outlining astronomical experiments designed for the high school level during the turn of the century. He is planning to publish a series on this subject in the Valley Skywatcher.

Observatory Director's Report:

- Several equipment repairs and replacements were made over the past few months.
- A Meade 10" f/6.4 LX200 was installed in the North Observatory. The 10" astrograph was replaced because the mount failed and could not be repaired.

Old Business:

- All remaining outstanding loans for the land purchase have been paid

New Business:

- The roster of officers was announced and approved. The new officers are:

- President: Ian Cooper
 - Vice President: (position unfilled)
 - Treasurer: Steve Fishman
 - Secretary: Scott Kuntz
 - Observatory Director: Rob Beers
 - Observations Director: Gus Saikaly
 - Historian: Dan Rothstein
 - Editor: Chris Powell
 - Park Systems Liaison: Marty Mullet
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- Marty Mullet is looking for 5 or 6 volunteers to give presentations next year. Material is expected to be at a high school level.
 - The Chagrin Falls Historical Society will keep CVAS archives. A motion was made to approve passed unanimously.
 - Ian Cooper announced that he will plan for more star parties at the Crooked Pecker Brewing Company in Chagrin Falls.
 - Ian Cooper advised the membership that he is aware of an attorney that is willing to provide pro bono work to CVAS should it ever be required.
 - Marty Mullet received an email from a student at CWRU asking for an amateur astronomy volunteer to assist with a presentation.
 - Ian Cooper announced that the Chagrin Valley Times is planning to publish an article about CVAS.
 - Ian Cooper would like to further investigate taking Indian Hill off the electrical grid & supply power by other means (solar).

Next Monthly meeting:

- December 3rd at 6:00 P.M. Please bring a food dish to share and your beverage of choice (note: there is no facilities to "heat" anything)
- CVAS will supply: cups, plates, napkins and utensils.

Calendar Events:

Presentations/Discussions:

- None

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 P.M.