



**Lake County Modelers and Flyers Assn.  
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**February 2024**

**February LCMFA Meeting Minutes**

**1. Open Meeting:** Jeff called the meeting to order at: 7:00 pm

**2. Roll Call**

**a. Club Officers:** Jeff, Tammy, Len, Barb, Bob R., Mac, Rob

**b. Members:** Greg B., Karen & Reuben Kelly

**c. Guest:** 0

**3. Agenda Additions or Approval:** Len made a motion to approve the agenda with the additions. Mac seconded the motion, all in favor, none opposed, Motion Carried.

**4. Approve Past Meeting Minutes:** Barb made a motion to approve the minutes as published. Len seconded the motion, all members in favor, none opposed, Motion Carried.

**5. Treasurer's Report/Approve Bills: Mac** - Current balance \$10,626.52

Barb made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and the presented bills for February 2024 as reported. Len seconded the motion, all members in favor, none opposed, Motion Carried.

**6. Old Business:**

- a. **Bylaws/Policies Update – Len:** Bylaws/Policies have been updated and put on our website. Barb will email copies of the Bylaws/Policies, in a word document format, to membership.
- b. **School Program – Len:** School program is going well. Len got a quote for 6 new drone soccer kits. A cost of \$4,140.97 for the 6 kits. The school asked him to prepare a proposal. Which he did and it sounds promising that the school will purchase these drone kits. We have 6 adults and 9 students that have joined the drone soccer team. The drone soccer team will be doing another demonstration on Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, after school at the Mason County Central High School in Scottville. This will be the second demonstration that they have performed so far.
- c. **Remote ID/FRIA – Len:** **FRIA** -We still do not have a FRIA currently. What happened was AMA abandoned trying to convince FAA just to give FRIA's to airport sites. Then it went to the Legislatures. There is a senate bill out there right now that the award authority away from the FAA that gives it to AMA. But that must get passed by a full

Senate. Passed by a full Legislature. Passed by the President. It is tacked on to the FAA's Authorization Act. There is a lot of attention that will get poured into this. But I think we made a significant step.

When will this happen? God only knows. That was the FRIA reauthorization act of 2023 and is still has not passed. Might be 2024 or 2025. That is here we are at with the FRIA.

**Len: Remote ID** - Spektrum SKY ID modules are back in stock. Those of you who had them on back order should be seeing them soon. If you were planning to order one (or more), if you snooze, you may lose. These modules have been on, off and back on backorder since August 2023. Here is a link:

<https://www.horizonhobby.com/product/sky-remote-id-module/SPMA9500.html>

While I am hoping that the Feds get off their butts and pass the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2023, I am not confident that they will do that, and AMA get a process in place to issue FRIAs for airport sites, anytime soon. You may want to consider getting a module just in case. Also, as you consider getting a module, consider that there is currently a process in place to get a waiver from Remote ID requirements for sanctioned events. I plan to do that for our annual events. However, this process does not yet address our mini-rallies or Sunday and Wednesday evening sessions. Point being, ... you may want to wait before ordering a module. But the risk is you may not get it for several months and we may in the long run end up not needing them at all! Just as we are not the FAA registration police, we are also not their Remote ID police! I am just trying to keep you informed of the current situation so you can make the best choice that fits your current personal situation! In the meantime, start up the simulators to warm up for 2024 flying season or for even lower physical input, watch this video to review our 2023 action:

<https://vimeo.com/910954317?share=copy>

- d. **Electrical Project – Len:** Needs inspection by licensed electrician. Then inspected by the County.
- e. **Event Marketing – Len:** Len will mail out at least 40 packets to our sponsors. After a week, he will follow up with the sponsors with a phone call. Also, working on getting new sponsors.
- f. **Other Event Issues:** Sad to say that we will no longer have Tammy and Rob's as our food vender for 2024. Possible options: 1. A new food truck vender. 2. Pompeii's pizza/subs. 3. Cook burgers/hot dogs. Mac will post on FB in search of a new vender. Rob to look in Big Rapids. Len to check with the Chamber of Congress. If anyone knows of a food truck vender, please let us know.

**June & August Events:** Len will be the CD.

**July Event:** Jim Maike will be the CD.

**September Event:** Barb and Bob Robinson will be the CD.

- g. **Field Maintenance – Tammy:** The excel mowing schedule will be emailed out to members after the March 2024 meeting. Please help by signing up to mow.
- h. **New Membership Packet – Tammy:** Hard copies of the membership packets to be kept in a plastic tub in bldg. 1 and bldg. 2 along with a hard copy in the bulletin board.
- i. **Assets List – Rob:** Rob will get a committee together to work on making a list of the value amount of each LCMFA item. (Members so far will be Rob and Mac)

#### **7. New Business:**

- a. **LCMFA 2024 Dues:** Due by April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024. Tammy will start emailing reminders to members weekly.
- b. **LCMFA Charter membership:** Mac will fill out the LCMFA charter membership application and send in.
- c. **New Annual Car Event 2024 – Rob:** Rob will oversee this event. Car event possibly held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of June 2024. Depending on how many people will be interested in attending this event. A membership packet will be available at the field. Including: Camping Rules and Ground Rules. Possible competition and prizes. For example, 1. Timed events. 2. How many laps. More information to follow regarding this new event.
- d. **Consider New Membership for Select Member – Len:** If dues were paid in 2023, no initiation fee is needed if paid by 4/1/2024.
- e. **LCMFA Credit Card – Len:** Tabled until March 2024 meeting.
- f. **Correspondence – Tammy** will keep copies of any correspondence received on the computer and/or jump drive.

**8. Member Round Table Discussion:** No discussions

**9. Adjourn:** 8:20 p.m.

**The next LCMFA meeting is scheduled for March 13, 2024, 7:00 P.M.  
at the Baldwin Village Hall**

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