

Secretary's minutes for Power from the Past EDGE-TA #240

The November regular meeting for Power from the Past was held on November 6, 2023, at Peace in the Valley Lutheran church in Benson. The meeting was called to order by President Greg Skaggs at 6:00 p.m. We joined together in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board members Greg Skaggs, Jerry Hayes, Zane Parker, Virgil Schmidt, Rose Tidwell, and tractor chair Charlie Bub were present. Board members Lyle Rasmussen and Julia Davis were away. There was a total of 15 members present.

The secretary's report and the Treasurer's report were both approved as read.

Vice president encouraged all members to communicate with the engine and tractor chair regarding their participation in events.

The President reported the McCormick ice cream engine pulley had recently been repaired by Jim Blair, but new problems with the engine at the Empire Ranch event and it is headed back into the shop. For the Western engine a new fuel pump and hoses were installed plus the intake system was cleaned and new gaskets for the oiler and brackets for the radiator are in the works. Also, lots of equipment is still available in Palominas for sale. And thanks to Lance and Jo for their efforts at Helldorado which resulted in another award for our parade entry.

The care report was given by Ruth Perkins.

Several contacts were made at the Empire Ranch event. One woman has some tractors to sell and will be in contact with more information. Also, Bill Ronstadt, of the Tucson family of musicians, was there and wants to find new homes for some oilers he has. And we also were invited to join the Wilcox West Fest by their group while at the Cowboy Festival. Also talk of tractor sleds for sale in the Wilcox area.

Safety and engine chairs were away. Our Tractor chair reported on contacts made at the Empire Ranch Cowboy festival per a tractor ride.

And a reminder of membership renewals will be due soon along with an increase in EDGE-TA insurance.

The 2024 calendar for January-June was discussed.

Our recent events at Helldorado days and the Cowboy Festival were reviewed, and the successes added to our coffers. But concerns were addressed about members leaving events early.

No unfinished business needed attention and we moved on to new business. We approved several items for the 2024 calendar. We agreed to move the January meeting to the 8th of January 2024. For the March meeting we will hold it on March 2 during the club social at Drew Harrison's along with a potluck dinner. We agreed to participate again at Culver's in Tucson on February 24th and at Marana's Founders Day March 16. For April, on the 6th the Chevy Showdown at Sahuarita's Desert Diamond and for the Oracle Oaks Festival with expected date of the 13th in Oracle. We agreed to secure the El Camino Baptist Church

again for our Annual Meeting on May 4th at 11:00 a.m. And a tractor ride was set for May 11 at Empire Ranch.

We also settled our plans for the Christmas dinner with a cap of \$750 towards the event with our usual collection for the local food bank.

Board member Jerry Hayes gave a shout out and big thanks to Charlie Bub for organizing our Cowboy Festival event and on his efforts at communicating information.

Also plans were discussed to have a couple club member volunteers walk the route for the Huachuca Christmas parade and hand out candy. Candy donations will be accepted at the Christmas dinner.

Our business was complete, and we adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

Rose Tidwell, Secretary