

**11:08** President Ernie Guerra called the meeting to order.

**Membership count:** 263

**Minutes** – All present voted to approve the minutes from the previous meeting as provided in an email to the entire membership.

**Treasures Report** – Vicar Hernandez shared the treasures report. All present vote to accept as read.

### **Old Business**

**AeroFest Review** – Vicar shared the event generated a net income of \$935 with 27 registered pilots. We had several out-of-town guests camping for a few days and all had a great time.

### **New Business**

**2025 Budget Review** – Vicar shared the board of directors looked at a budget report and concluded that we are in the black so no further dues increase should be needed for the foreseeable future. This was mainly due to savings related to the cost of mowing and toilet cleaning services.

**2025 Board of Directors Nominations** – Vicar announced he will not seek a BOD position this year. Marvin nominated Gary Grimard for the treasurer position. Roger motioned to keep the rest of the BOD the same. Gary was not present to accept. The others accepted their current positions: Mark Armbrust, secretary, George Brod, vice president and Ernie Guerra, president. The official vote will take place at the December meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup>. Earnie asked that others step up and participate with the club management.

**Open discussion** – Albert asked about the tall grass cutting around the field. George shared the BOD had a MEETING with the South Florida Water Management District to clear all open issues. They had us remove our entrance signs which included the word “private”. More recently the state started clearing the land adjacent to ours and indicated once they were done with that, they intended to clear the property to the north of us. That was the last we heard from them, and we are not inclined to “poke the bear”. It was agreed by most at the meeting that this is the best path forward at this time. The current lease agreement gives us access rights to retrieve downed aircraft but does not give us permission to maintain the land. Any contractor doing so would need to be hired by the state not the club. Estimates to cut the area in the \$60,000 range, per cut.

Frank Moradiellos brought up the fact that he couldn't fly when the tall grass was being cut essentially grounding him during the week. We reminded him that per club rules no flying is allowed while field workers are present. No further discussions.

**MEETING Adjourned!** 11:32