



Eric Joe [REDACTED]

hexacopter damage

Brett McBay [REDACTED]

Fri, Nov 28, 2014 at 4:44 PM

To: Eric Joe [REDACTED]

Your facts are incorrect, I'm considering the matter now closed.

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 28, 2014, at 4:41 PM, Eric Joe [REDACTED] wrote:

I'm sorry, but I must insist on full payment for equipment you damaged, as you shot it when it was above my property. The aircraft's GPS data positions it clearly above our orchard. Additionally, the hexacopter crashed next to our driveway, ~203 feet (per Google Maps) from the dirt road that separates our respective properties.

I also dispute your characterization that I was "testing surveillance equipment." There was no camera on the hexacopter, and had a camera been mounted, the price for repairs would have been an extra \$300.

Just as you asked me to give the courtesy of notifying you of my flying activities, I also ask you the courtesy of not shooting live ammunition in our direction. This is the third time discharge from your firearms has hit our house and property. The first incident left a bullet hole in the door by our garage. The second incident occurred last Thanksgiving when birdshot from your skeet shooting activities rained into our backyard. The third, of course, being what we're currently discussing.

I'm hoping to resolve this in a civil manner. An entirely new rig would have cost \$1500. Instead, I'm just asking that you pay for what you broke. Let me know if you wish to discuss further.

Thanks,

Eric

On Fri, Nov 28, 2014 at 3:14 PM, Brett McBay [REDACTED] wrote:

Eric,

With all do respect \$700 dollars seems excessive. Perhaps in SF it's normal for folks to have drones hovering over their property but we live in the country for privacy. I will be willing to split the cost with you but next time let us know your testing surveillance equipment in our area. I'll drop a check of this afternoon.

Sincerely,

Brett

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 28, 2014, at 2:01 PM, Eric Joe [REDACTED] wrote:

Hi Brett,

It was nice to meet you and your son. I wish it could have been under different circumstances, but I have to give credit to the McBay school of marksmanship. Still, I'm pretty bummed that I just built this hexacopter only to have it shot down.

Also, it was a little disconcerting to know that the spread of the birdshot/buckshot was in my direction.

In any case, I had a chance to test the components of the downed hexacopter. Good news is that the more expensive components (on the inside of the frame) are in tact. Stuff on the outside of the frame took the most damage. Broken parts and pricing are as follows-

3x T-Motor MN-3508 KV580 = 209.70
3x T-Motor 12x4 CF Props = 176.97
1x Zippy Flightmax 8000mah 4s1p LiPo battery = 61.65
1x 3DR uBlox GPS with mast = 97.49
1x RCMC 30a ESC = 18.00
1x DJI f550 top/bottom board = 37.90
1x Landing gear replacement = 30.24
1x FrSky x8r receiver = 34.19

Total comes out to \$666.14 not including tax and shipping (prob around 700 in the end). Happy to reconcile this by you sending me those exact parts, or a check (pay to the order of Eric Joe) for 700 to the following address-

Eric Joe

I'll be in Modesto until Sunday afternoon, so if you wish to just pay the damage by check, I can swing by this weekend. You can give me a call at [REDACTED] if need be. Let me know what works best!

Thanks,
Eric