Sweetwater Amateur Radio Club Monthly Meeting Minutes – April 9, 2024



Prepared by:

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and

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Persons Present:

Joan Bruderer, *KE7EMQ*; Ron Bruderer, *N7ERH*; Zach Gunyan, *KE7WYG*; Huie Hazelett, *KF7CJE*; Kathleene Allen; John Aaron, *KE7GPK*; Brian Roberts, *AC7AF*; Mike Hill, *N7PQ*; Bob Spain, *WB2RVE*

19:37 - Meeting called to Order

Approval of Agenda, Added Addendum to agenda – Old Business. Called for Vote, Motion passed

Old Business: Copies of previous minuets were passed around, copy of Wire Repair Class write up, Summary of Week Net was sent around, copy of CERT Radio Presentation was sent around, State SET summary was sent around the room

No changes were made Old Business passed, John, KE7GPK abstained

Deferred Items: None

New Business:

Constitution and By-Laws – Version from 2018 was discovered and reformatted. Paper copy was sent around the room for any changes.

Field Day & Pony Express – Both events are going to take place on the same day. June 22, discuss places to set up for field day. South Pass, Farson, Granger, Hwy 28 at Seedskadee (Green River Crossing) For Pony Express, idea to have individuals staged at specific locations along the trail. Final decision on location will be made next month.

Space Port Day – August 24, 2024, they are requesting a PA Speaker so people can listen to 122.9 for pilots coming in. Looking for volunteers to take point on this request.

None Volunteered

New Business (Continued):

501(C)3 Non-Profit Status – If club qualifies for the 1023 EZ form, the cost for applying is \$200, otherwise application fee is \$600. If approved, club would need to file a form with the IRS yearly.

Brian, AC7AF, made motion to approve filing 1023EZ form with IRS.

John, KE7GPK, seconded motion

Discussion:

Ron, N7ERH afraid too much work to maintain.

John, KE7GPK, withdrew secondary motion

John, KE7GPK, motion to table discussion until further research can be had on application process.

Motion to table passed.

Set agenda for the year -

WB2RVE – Radio License Class & Testing, Fall / Winter time frame

AARL Emergency Radio Procedures, KE7WYG

High School Rodeo, Emily (EMA)

High School Class for Communications, Emily (EMA)

Simulated Emergency Tests (like the senior center test), N7ERH

Provide Communication support for Fair, AC7AF

Antenna Building, KF7CJE

HT Coax Antenna, KK7KKE

Bonding and Grounding, KE7GPK (don't ground anything to gas pipes)

Field Day & Pony Express

Discussion on events: John, KE7GPK, raised concerns with events being put on by SARC. Events should be open to all individuals interested in Amateur Radio. This would include individuals that are not volunteers with the Sherriff's Office. Zach, KE7WYG, with basic classwork, this might not be problematic, however when it comes to bigger projects such as erecting towers and such, we would want that insurance (Workman's Compensation) behind us should any accidents occur. I would need to get further information on where the line is exactly, but we will pick this conversation back up after.

Green River Meeting – Location at Legion Hall – Meetings there need to be attended by a member of that organization in order for the club to meet there. Discussion of using Firehouse or the Library.

AC7AF, Motion to move Green River meeting to Fire Station

KF7CJE, Second motion

Discussion -

Ron, N7ERH - When Greg was President, they voted to have the meetings over there so the Green River folks didn't have to come to Rock Springs.

New Business (Continued):

Green River Meeting – Location at Legion Hall (Continued)

Huie, KF7CJE – If we all show up over there, and didn't have a Legion member there, then we would be out in the parking lot, scrambling to figure out what we would be doing.

Ron, N7ERH – They did guarantee back then that there would always be a member there

Zach, KE7WYG – I don't want to offend anyone with this move, however I want to ensure that we have a failsafe.

Motion Passed

Huie, KF7CJE – On the net we will need to make sure we announce this change in venue.

Zach, KE7WYG – Yes, I will get it out there every week if not assign someone to get it out there if I am unable. We will try it at the Fire Station, if it doesn't work out then we can always move back.

Upcoming Events:

4/1/24 – Cheyeene is having an online Technician License Class, test on May 18th. Agenda as contact information.

4/11/24 6:30pm – Emergency Management is going to have National Weather Service come in from Riverton to put on a Weather Spotter Class. NOAA – Riverton NWS is also hosting three online sessions as well.

5/23/24 6:30pm – Emergency Management is going to have Traffic Control Class

Round Table:

Buffalo Hump Repeater – Bob, WB2RVE, went to Davis County Utah, two weeks until the repeater will be ready. Paid \$650.00 for radio replacement will be able to cover six states, Utah, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Nevada. This will tie into the Utah Intertie Network. Bob will get invoice for radio

GMRS Repeater – Ron, N7ERH, Rock Springs City Council & County Commission. Mary Thoman wants to see if she can put us in communication with County Telecommunication folks. Potential to piggyback onto one of the county systems. Located a repeater roughly \$700-800, 40 Watt output.

CERT Radio Training over GMRS, went through presentation outline.

Next meeting:

5/14/24 - Green River Wyoming Fire Station

Adjourn 19:51