Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club

Minutes of August 1, 2022

The monthly meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was called to order on Monday, August 1, 2022, at 1830 by President Larry Mohundro, KEØTGI, with 18 members and one guest, Cheryl Brennecke, present.

Minutes of the last meeting were read by Secretary Patty Chiles, ACØCU, and were approved with one correction. Under Old Business, the last line of the first paragraph should read, "Barry noted that he will not hold an ARES net until after Labor Day."

Treasurer Judy Bradley, KCØWXS, reported there were no debits or credits for the month of July, so the balance remains at \$19,245.57.

Old Business

Barry Doyle, ACØWL, reported that he did not get to the Scopus repeater in July but will check it out next week if time allows. He visited the 146.685 repeater site and reports the generator fuel level was down only slightly so must have had normal use. The thermometer read 96° outside the building and 93° inside on the repeater cabinet. Barry reported two Skywarn events for the month. There are no anticipated events locally.

Barry advised that if you have a generator, make sure you have spare parts for it, such as filters, spark plugs, and oil, for use during a time of emergency.

Larry Mohundro, KEØTGI, read a report from OEM Director Mark Winkler, who stated that the outbuilding at the water tower site was lightning-proofed last week, but the radio equipment still needs to be installed in the building. The old tower on the courthouse lawn will likely be removed by the end of the month. He also said that they have received possession of all the equipment needing to be decommissioned from the old voter/receiver system. The MOSWIN tower project is still having supply chain issues, and there has been no further action regarding the upcoming Public Safety Communication Rodeo/Drill.

New Business

Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, said the Washington, Missouri, hamfest was well-attended. The next hamfest is the St. Charles hamfest on August 14; it is usually a very nice event, about on the same level as Washington. Ernie also noted that the Bootheel Amateur Radio Club will be holding a swap meet at the Oak Haven Park in Kennett, Missouri, on September 10. This is a first-time event, and he encouraged everyone to support the Bootheel club if possible.

Barry Doyle, ACØWL, gave an update on his AL811H amplifier. He has used the amp, and it is doing great. The modifications are working well, and the temperature is 10° lower on the amp. If anyone needs repair work done on Ameritron, Heathkit, or Kenwood amps, Barry will be happy to share information on the Amp Repair Guy.

Ed Myers, ADØWN, announced that he will schedule our Christmas party for the first Saturday in December from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Delmonico's; this will assure that we will have a room for the event. He will tell them to expect about 25 people but would like a more accurate head count at a future meeting.

Klaus Mueller, WØLKE, suggested that the club hold a potluck social event when the weather gets cooler, perhaps combining it with the October fox hunt. We can discuss this at next month's meeting.

The August meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was adjourned at 1859.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Chiles, ACØCU Secretary, SEMOARC