Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club

Minutes of December 6, 2021

The monthly meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was called to order on Monday, December 6, 2021, at 1900 by President Ron Morris, ADØBY, with 22 members and 2 guests present. Our guests for the evening were Levi Snider and Kyle Blair.

Minutes of the last meeting were read by Secretary Patty Chiles, ACØCU, and were approved as read.

Treasurer Judy Bradley, KCØWXS, reported a beginning balance of \$19,729.66. She deposited \$325 in membership fees and wrote two checks, one in the amount of \$250 for the tower climber at the Scopus repeater site, and one in the amount of \$37.88 for the Ham of the Year plaque, leaving a balance of \$19,766.78.

Old Business

Barry Doyle, ACØWL, reported that 7 man hours were logged for three ARES nets in November. Ron Morris, ADØBY, logged 0.5 man hours for WinLink training. Barry logged 1 man hour for maintenance, and 3 man hours were logged for the Missouri Emergency nets.

Barry reported all repeaters are operating normally. He visited the 146.685 repeater site and did a pull test, with normal results. The deep-cycle batteries and the UPS were fine.

Barry met with Rich Meinke, AB9S, regarding the possibility of linking our repeaters. Rich said we would need two 220 MHz transceivers. The 146.685 would be the easiest – we would only need an antenna – whereas the 146.820 would be more complicated as well as more expensive. For the latter we would need a tower climber to run a hard line. We would also need permission from both sites. Klaus Mueller, WØLKE, moved that Barry move forward with this, and Stan Sides, KØQMV, seconded the motion; the motion passed. Barry will request permission from the tower owners and then estimate the costs involved.

Ron Morris, ADØBY, read a report from EOC Director Mark Winkler, who stated that the EOC mobile van will be auctioned off on December 14.

New Business

Russell Goss, KD9FAL, reported that a Lewis and Clark special event involving 16 stations is in its planning stages. Certificates will be available for the June 4 – 19 event, and more information will be forthcoming next spring.

Ron Morris, ADØBY, reported that there were 23 people at our Christmas party on December 4. Ed Myers, ADØWN, was the well-deserving recipient of the Joe Lorberg Ham of the Year award.

Ed Myers, ADØWN, stated that he has written a letter to R&L Electronics regarding the status of our battery booster, which was paid for in April. R&L replied to his letter, stating that MFJ is hoping to have some available in early December. Ed expects to write a follow-up letter soon.

Ron Morris, ADØBY, announced that he and Bill Brown, KEØJDD, will be stepping down as President and 1st Vice President for 2022. Ed Myers, ADØWN, nominated Larry Mohundro, KEØTGI, for the position of President, and Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, seconded the motion. Ernie then nominated Larry Rickman, KDØLBL, for the position of 1st Vice President, and Stan Sides, KØQMV, seconded the motion. Ernie moved that the following officers be elected by acclamation; Klaus Mueller, WØLKE, seconded the motion, and the motion carried. The 2022 officers are:

President Larry Mohundro, KEØTGI

1st Vice President Larry Rickman, KDØLBL

2nd Vice President Ed Myers, ADØWN

Treasurer Judy Bradley, KCØWXS

Secretary Patty Chiles, ACØCU

The December meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was adjourned at 1925.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Chiles, ACØCU Secretary, SEMOARC