

# Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club

## Minutes of February 7, 2022

The monthly meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was called to order on Monday, February 7, 2022, at 1830 by President Larry Mohundro, KEØTGI, with 23 members and 2 guests present. Our guests for the evening were Kenneth Masegian, KFØDRS, Adam Knoeppel.

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 \$19,761.78. She deposited \$175 in membership fees, leaving a balance of \$19,936.78.

### **Old Business**

Barry Doyle, ACØWL, reported that we had 3 ARES nets in the month of January, totaling 6.25 man hours. Two man hours were logged for the 146.685 repeater site check, and 3 man hours were logged for the Missouri Emergency nets.

Barry reported that the repeaters are operating normally. He, Stan, KØQMV, and Kay Sides visited the 146.685 repeater site with a Byrd wattmeter and discovered there was high SWR on both antennas. We need to check the antennas again soon to try to find the source of the high SWR, and we may need to contact Dennis, our tower climber, if we are unsuccessful. Barry ran the pull tests with normal results. He ran the station generator for 16 minutes, and it started on the first try.

Barry announced that in-person Skywarn training will be held at the Jackson Civic Center in Jackson on Tuesday, March 15, at 6 p.m. Registration is required and may be found at <https://www.weather.gov/pah/spottertraining>.

There was no report from EOC Director Mark Winkler. Dick Knaup, KDØBSP, reported that he had met with Mark and that they are still looking for a replacement mobile vehicle.

### **New Business**

Ed Myers, ADØWN, reported that nothing has changed regarding the battery booster. Barry Doyle, ACØWL, moved that Ed request a refund of his money; Karen Brewington, KDØJMO, seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Ron Morris, ADØBY, reported that Reg Swan has no repeater controllers available. Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, reported that he dropped off the documentation for our controller to Eric Bennett, KEØATR, for him to look at. Eric thought he could probably get the job done, for an approximate cost of \$125, but he has not yet contacted Ernie with his thoughts.

Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, announced that the hamfest in Collinsville, Illinois, was well attended though a bit smaller than usual, and five from our club attended. The backers plan to continue hosting this hamfest. The next hamfests are at Cave City, Kentucky, on March 5, and the Lewis and Clark hamfest at Godfrey, Illinois, at the Lewis and Clark Community College on March 19. The latter hamfest will be held all inside, rain or shine.

Stan Sides, KØQMV, ended the meeting with a technical question regarding the potential for setting up a cubical quad for a 160 meter antenna inside the Civic Center.

The February meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was adjourned at 1904.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Chiles, ACØCU  
Secretary, SEMOARC