

Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club

Minutes of March 2, 2020

The monthly meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was called to order on Monday, March 2, 2020, at 1898 by President Ron Morris, ADØBY, with 26 members and 2 guests present. Our guests for the evening were Cody Farrow and Brad Brakhane.

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 \$5128.20. She deposited \$130 in membership dues (including a \$5 donation) and wrote a \$15 check for pavilion rental for the fox hunt, leaving a balance of \$5243.20. The treasurer's report was approved as read.

Old Business

There was no ARES report.

Mark Winkler, Cape Girardeau County EOC Director, announced that he would be downstairs in the EOC for the evening, monitoring the weather. He said that although over 100 people signed up for the weather spotting class last month, only 55 showed up. He also said that he has hired Brock Austin to replace Mike Gentry in the EOC, and that Brock will begin his part-time duties on March 16.

New Business

Ed Myers, ADØWN, has created an emergency scanner list with all the local frequencies, and anyone interested in that list may see him after the meeting.

Ron Morris, ADØBY, reminded everyone of the June 27-28 Field Day sign-up sheet.

Ron also mentioned the upcoming hamfests: The Cave City Hamfest is coming up on March 7, and the Memphis Freefest will follow on April 11.

Ron noted that he received an email from Frank Stafford, W5CME, who would like to volunteer to create a monthly newsletter similar to Carolyn Cremeens' newsletter from across the river. It was suggested that Frank do a demo to show at our next meeting, and that we ask whether he is also interested in Facebook.

Old Business, Round Two

Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, announced that our spring fox hunt will be held in Pavilion No. 3 in the Jackson city park. The fox hunt will begin with a bring-your-own-sack lunch at noon on Saturday, April 25, and the hunt will begin at 1 p.m.

Ernie also reminded everyone of the Missouri QSO party that will be held on April 4 – 5. The QSO party is sponsored by the Boeing Employees Amateur Radio Society (BEARS) in St. Louis and goes from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Saturday and 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday. Anyone who wants to participate in the party is invited to the Chiles home. Our special event call for 2020 is WØH.

The March meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was adjourned at 1924.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Chiles, ACØCU
Secretary, SEMOARC