

**Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club
Minutes May 1, 2017**

The monthly meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was called to order on Monday, May 1, 2017 at 1900 by President Klaus Mueller, W0LKE, with 26 members and 1 guest present.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by secretary, Karen Brewington, KDOJMO, and with one correction, was approved as read. It was noted that Dan Russell was testing the cavities, not the cams.

Treasure Judy Bradley reported that the ending balance for April was \$3,411.42. Checks were written to Karen Brewington for envelopes and stamps in the amount of \$15.75 and to the Post Master for the yearly renewal of the PO Box in the amount of \$74.00. Judy deposited \$75 for dues giving us a new balance of \$3,396.67. The treasurer's report was approved as read.

Old Business:

Barry Doyle, AC0WL, gave the repeater report and stated that the 146.850 repeater is A-Okay. The 146.820 repeater had a loose wire along with some other minor things relating to the antenna but has now been fixed. Barry noted that the insurance policy includes labor to have things fixed so should cover everything less our \$50 deductible. It was also noted that the ARES net is back on the 146.820 and everything is working as it should be.

EOC Coordinator Dick Knapp, KD0BSP, reported there is a flooding situation that is going on right now, as everyone is aware, and it is going to be Biblical in proportion!!! This record flooding has caused severe problems with phone systems and is going to get worse before it gets better. The estimated crest is for Saturday at Cape where the Mississippi River could reach 48.5 feet. Dick stated that he has sand bags available but you need to provide the sand to fill them. He also stated at we have some rain in the forecast that could amount to as much as 2 inches but no thunderstorms are expected. Missouri is currently under a state of emergency. A federal state of emergency will likely come but not until later.

Ernie Chiles, W0RMS, reported that the weekly ARES meeting is back on the 146.820 Tuesday nights at 8 pm and encouraged all to check in. He also stated that the spring Fox Hunt was a success and the weather cooperated for the 7 hunters/huntresses. The team of Jody Rouse, Eric Bennett and Clinton Fallin found their "fox" in about 15 minutes. Congratulations!!! Ernie also stated that the 146.440 net is at 6:30 pm and requested as many check in as possible.

Field Day will be June 24-25 at Klaus Park. A signup sheet was passed around. If we don't have enough participation this year, we will not be able to work the event next year.

Stan Sides, K0QMV, stated that the upcoming solar eclipse is an important event and encouraged everyone to check this out.

Our visitor tonight was Rajam Mavasini who will be testing.

Karen Brewington, KDOJMO, reminded everyone, member or not, to sign the attendance sheet. Judy Bradley, KDOWXS, stated that we now have the same number of members as last year – 55.

The May meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was adjourned at 1940.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Brewington, KDOJMO,
Secretary, SEMOARC