

# Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club

Minutes of November 7, 2022

The monthly meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was called to order on Monday, November 7, 2022, at 1830 by President Larry Mohundro, KEØTGI, with 19 members and one guest, Sara Sommers.

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 \$20,050.73. She deposited \$50 for membership fees, leaving a balance of \$20,100.73.

## **Old Business**

Barry Doyle, ACØWL, reported no Skywarn events for the month. He discussed an incident at the 146.685 repeater site, when a tree branch fell on the power lines and created a power surge at the KRCU station, blowing our surge protector. The 440.200 repeater was off the air, and the 2-meter repeater was on backup battery. Barry replaced the surge protector and also went to the 146.820 repeater site to install a 3-amp power supply. All repeaters are alive and well.

Larry Mohundro, KEØTGI, read a report from OEM Director Mark Winkler, who stated that the tower move has been completed, and further testing will continue to determine countywide signal strength. All equipment for the MOSWIN tower project has been received in Jefferson City, and the next steps include assembly, then a probable spring installation at the tower site. The plan for a new Office of Emergency Management building is still in the design phase.

## **New Business**

Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, reported that the Kirkwood hamfest was well attended and had lots of vendors. The next hamfest will be Winterfest in Collinsville, Illinois, on January 28.

Ernie also reported that 17 people attended the social event preceding the fox hunt, and 11 people hunted the fox. The winning team included T.J. Vandeven, WØTJV, Will Klipfel, KFØJQD, Larry Mohundro, KEØTGI, and Stan Sides, KØQMV. Each team member was awarded a can of Mountain Dew, and T.J. was given a special Mountain Dew trophy for being the person brave enough to blindly put his hand into the fox's den.

Ernie reported that he negotiated for the meeting room at the Jackson Civic Center, and we have reserved the room for 2023 for the same price as 2022. There will be only one month that we will have to move to the second Monday for our meeting, and that will be Labor Day in September.

Ed Myers, ADØWN, reminded everyone of our Christmas party on Saturday, December 3, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Delmonico's. You may bring a small (<\$10) gift to exchange if you wish, and if it is gender specific, write "Male" or "Female" on the package.

Ballots were handed out and voting was done for the Ham of the Year Award.

Larry Mohundro, KEØTGI, announced that the election of officers for 2023 will be held at the December meeting.

Larry also discussed personalized shirts. Local printers can create the shirts, but they would be fairly expensive. Another method would be to buy a shirt – but DO NOT wash it first – and add your call sign by using a Cricut machine. T.J. Vandeven, WØTJV, showed us several potential logos that he has created for our club. After some discussion regarding how much detail is possible in a shirt logo, Roger Seay, KEØYAE, suggested that T.J. bring three versions of a club logo to the December meeting, and we will vote on a logo at the December meeting. It was agreed that both color and black and white versions will be presented.

The November meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was adjourned at 1916.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Chiles, ACØCU  
Secretary, SEMOARC