

Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club

Minutes of October 4, 2010

The monthly meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was called to order on Monday, October 4, 2010, at 1903 by President Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, with 27 members and 2 guests present.

Minutes of the last meeting were read by Secretary Patty Chiles, ACØCU, and were approved with one correction: Tom Keene's technician class will be held in Fire Station No. 3 in Cape Girardeau.

Treasurer Irma Frye, NØJPJ, reported last month's bank balance was \$2514.21. She deposited \$38.50 for members' dues and \$125 in donations for Wreaths Across America, leaving a balance of \$2677.71. The treasurer's report was approved as read.

Old Business

A general listing of the club equipment list is as follows: John Frye, WJØU, reported that he has two sets of duplexers in his basement, one with four cans and one with six cans. Bob Seabaugh, KAØQCK, reported that the receiver for the 61 machine is at Steve Hay's house, and the transmitter is on the tower that belongs to East County Fire Department, located on the hill by Steve's house. It also has a power supply belonging to Bob Seabaugh. Bob also has several other pieces of equipment at his house. Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, reported that he has an inoperative power supply in his basement.

Cathy Golightly, KDØIAM, reported that the club donated \$125 at last month's meeting for Wreaths Across America. We will pass the hat at tonight's meeting and Irma Frye will write a check that Cathy will mail tomorrow.

Mary Russell, XYL of KDØIXM, has volunteered to organize the club archival material that Bob Seabaugh, KAØQCK, has been collecting over the years.

Dick Knaup, KDØBSP, reported that last Friday he attended a meeting at Poplar Bluff, at which was discussed a fully functional drill to be held on January 27, 2011, for all of Region E. There will also be two more planning meetings, one on November 4 to be held at the Clinton Building in Sikeston and one in December to be held at Fire Station No. 3 in Cape Girardeau, and he would like the club to be represented at those meetings. The January 27 drill will have evaluators to observe how the crisis is handled. All functions of communication will be tested and evaluated.

Phil Nash, ACØIB, reported that we have 19 ARES members, and that ID photos were being taken in the next room. Last Tuesday was the first ARES net on 146.820; it will be held every Tuesday at 7:45 p.m. There was a good training

session on the net hosted by Tom Keene, WX9N, on the passage of radiogram messages. Dennis Ponsness, WBØWAO, has put together a first draft of an ARES communication emergency plan for the county that will be distributed to ARES members when completed.

Tom Keene, WX9N, reported that the introductory technician class will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 5, at the Cape Fire Station No. 3, and will go for six weeks, with an extra week reserved for testing. There are about 20 people signed up.

Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, reported that there will be a fox hunt on Saturday, October 9, starting at 2 p.m. and going on for 2½ hours (or earlier, if everyone finds him or gives up). He will be the fox and will be transmitting at 146.420 within the Cape Girardeau city limits on public property. When everyone has found the fox, chili will be served with whatever covered dishes the foxhunters bring with them.

New Business

Irma Frye, NØJPJ, was asked if she would call the Branding Iron to reserve a room for about 30 people on Saturday, December 11, at 1 p.m. for our annual Christmas party. An optional \$5 gift, labeled for "him" or "her," may be brought to the party gift exchange.

Our guests of the evening were Harry Stone and Danny Barry, both of Jackson.

The October meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was adjourned at 1935.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Chiles
Secretary, SEMO ARC