

Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club

Minutes of October 3, 2022

The monthly meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was called to order on Monday, October 3, 2022, at 1830 by President Larry Mohundro, KEØTGI, with 19 members and three guests: Jared, Paige Kiefner, and Karla Kiefner.

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 \$20,065.73. She wrote one check for \$15 to Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, as reimbursement for the fox hunt pavilion, leaving a balance of \$20,050.73.

Old Business

Larry Rickman, KDØLBL, read the ARES report and repeater report for Barry Doyle, ACØWL. Three ARES nets were held in September, totaling 5 man hours. Ron Morris, ADØBY, logged 1.5 man hours for MCOMM training; Barry logged 1 man hour for maintenance on the 146.685 repeater and 2 man hours for maintenance on the 146.820 repeater; and 1.25 man hours were logged for the Missouri Emergency Services Net. There were no Skywarn events for the month.

Larry reported that all the repeaters appeared to be running normally. Barry performed the normal tests on the 440.200 and 146.685 repeaters, and the SWR on the 146.685 repeater is normal. He ran the generator for 20 minutes and its fuel level was at 71%. Nothing looked unusual at the 146.820 repeater site.

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, reminded everyone of the October 8 fox hunt that will be held at the Jackson City Park at Shelter No. 5. Everyone should bring a sack lunch for the social event at noon, and the fox hunt will follow. The foxes will all be on 2 meters, and the only things needed will be a hand-held transceiver and an attenuator of some kind.

Ernie noted that the Halloween hamfest in Kirkwood [at 111 S. Geyer Road] will be held on Saturday, October 29, starting at 7:30 a.m. The next hamfest will be Winterfest in Collinsville, Illinois, on January 28.

Larry Mohundro, KEØTGI, reminded everyone of our Christmas party on Saturday, December 3, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Delmonico's.

Larry also noted that the Illinois QSO party will be held on Sunday, October 16, from noon to 8 p.m.

Ed Myers, ADØWN, noted that there have been two dedicated frequencies being used for Hurricane Ian: 14.325 for mostly daytime use and 7.268 for mostly night use. The maritime mobile net frequency 14.300 was also working during the hurricane.

Larry Fluegge, KØRKW, announced that he has a Motorola cabinet for a base station that is 29 inches high, 22 inches wide, and 13.5 inches deep. The front and back are both lockable, but Larry has the key to only one. He would like to donate it to the club if we can use it. Ed Myers, ADØWN, will check with Barry Doyle, ACØWL, to see if the club would be able to use the cabinet.

Henry Clark, KEØON, asked if we sponsor club shirts, as he is interested in getting one. We will check local businesses to see if we can get club shirts made.

The October meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was adjourned at 1859.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Chiles, ACØCU
Secretary, SEMOARC