Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club Minutes of September 1, 2014

The monthly meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was called to order on Monday, September 1, 2014, at 1900 by President Barry Doyle, ACØWL, with 25 members and 3 guests present.

Minutes of the last meeting were read by Secretary Karen Brewington, KD \emptyset JMO, and were approved as read.

Treasure Judy Bradley, KCØWXS, reported that last month's balance was \$2,759.06. She made a deposit of \$62.50 for dues and wrote a check to Steve Stance for \$15 for the website domain and a check to Ernie Chiles for \$15 for the park shelter, leaving a balance of \$2,791.56.

Old Business:

Joe Lorberg, WAØZNI, reported that the local repeaters can break up and not be clear if user's volumes are too high. We need to back off and start again if we notice this and it should solve the problem. Joe also reported that he went to a Ham Fest and got lots of items that could be used on the repeaters. He will check these out and see what can be used.

Joe Lorberg, WAØZNI, also wanted to let everyone know that he knows of a good cleaning lady. If anyone is interested, contact Joe for more information.

There was no EOC report tonight.

Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, reported that ARES will start again the last Monday of this month. Ernie stated that he welcomes ideas of things to do at the meetings. After that meeting, we will begin the ARES net on Tuesday evenings at 8 pm. Dan Russell, KDØIXM, will run this net.

Barry Doyle, ACØWL, reported that there is a chance for the bad weather tonight so keep an eye and ear open and your radio ready. Dan Russell, KDØIXM will monitor 685 and Barry will monitor 820.

Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, reported that the Fox Hunt that is scheduled for October 4, 2014, will be the same format as past hunts. We will meet at Shelter 5 at North County Park at 12 pm for a sack lunch and the hunt will begin at 1 pm. You will need a handheld radio and the hunt will go rain or shine.

Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, stated that the 685 may have deep cycle battery backup in the future but does not have it now. Right now we have about 20 to 30 minutes backup power. The 820 has a backup.

Barry Doyle, ACØWL, reported that he has not gotten a response regarding the number of people that will be attending the technician class that will begin on Monday, September 8, 2014 at 6:30 pm at the Perryville Police Department. He will go up to see if they have people wanting to attend and if not, the class will be cancelled.

Barry Doyle, ACØWL, reminded everyone of the Christmas dinner to be held on Saturday, December 6, 2014, at noon at the Dexter BBQ in Jackson. There will be a \$5.00 gift exchange for those who wish to join in and the Ham of the Year will be announced that day.

New Business:

Barry Doyle, ACØWL, stated that election of officers will be held at the November meeting. Current secretary, Karen Brewington, is stepping down for a period of time so that position is open for next year, as well as all other offices, if anyone has a desire to serve.

Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, drew three tickets from the Door Prize Can and the winners were Bruce Boulden, KDØHRY, Barry Doyle, ACØWL, and Karen Brewington, KDØJMO. Ernie also mentioned that he and Patty Chiles, ACØCU, went to the Huntsville Ham Fest and Patty was inducted into the Wouff Hong organization.

Barry Doyle, ACØWL, mentioned that you can now begin paying your dues for the 2015 year.

The September meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was adjourned at 1921.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Brewington, KDØJMO, Secretary, SEMOARC