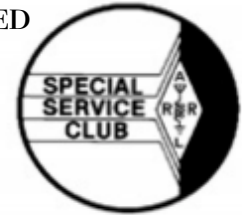




WARRENSBURG AREA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INCORPORATED



General Meeting Minutes

August 8th, 2020

1. Meeting called to order at 9:06 am.
2. Introductions
 - Members and visitors on location
 - Total present: Members: 11 Visitors: 0
 - Role call of members and guests connected to virtual meeting.
 - Total present: Members: 5 Visitors: 0
3. Presidential Announcements
 - None.
4. Secretary Report - Kenny Thomson, KØBCF
 - Many thanks to Kristl KR1STL for doing the minutes as this has been a very busy time.
 - Minutes were reviewed and it was voted to pass July and August minutes with one correction for the August minutes where the word Hotel had been put in place of the word hole while describing the work at the EMA. Gary, WAØBTM motioned to accept with David, WAØDVU seconding the motion passed 16:1.
5. Treasurer Report - Rick Ebbesen, KBØVZP
 - Financial Report for July was presented Gary, WAØBTM, motioned to accept David, WAØDVU, seconded the motion carried 16:1.
6. ARES Report - Rick, KBØVZP - ARES Director
 - The next ARES meeting will be August 16th. Location is currently pending.
 - A 30 foot tower was erected at the EMA by several volunteers August 1st which enabled getting the AREDEN Mesh nodes higher as well as several antennas. This work is greatly appreciated.
7. Repeater Committee - Rick, KBØVZP, Chairman
 - The preamp has been tested on the 146.88 repeater and we need to make some adjustments to keep it from over driving and keying the repeater after a transmission.
 - A group also has met at the repeater site and pulled the 1 5/8" hardline to the top, which is not yet connected. There are plans to get the hardline connected as well as raising the 440 and 220 antennas.
 - Larry W9XE mentioned the need to get better internet at the site as to get Echolink moved there to be direct as opposed to repeated through a radio connection. Also to link Echolink to the 146.88 repeater as opposed to the 440. Some opposition was raised as to the fact that when we run local storm nets that shouldn't be broadcast to a station who may be in another state. It was also mentioned that all of the repeaters be linked for nets which also was met with concerns of too many double issues during the net for net control too keep up with. Rick KBØVZP also mentioned that we have 5 repeaters which do not all get the same attention although linking all of them at the same time may not be such a great idea. So it was discussed to maybe do some beta testing of linking the Echolink to the 146.88 at times as the 443.200 as Cary KBØHV mentioned is not monitored by most club members. This lack of monitoring of the 443.200 has missed a lot of calls on Echolink.

8. EMA Report - Cary Altman. KBØHV, EMA Resources

- Cary KBØHV mentioned there are still heavy restrictions at the EMA which could impede our meetings there for an unknown amount of time due to social distancing practices which we do not have space for at their facility.

9. Website Committee - Larry Vandivier, W9XE

- Nothing of note this month.

10. New Business

- Frances KCØTFR mentioned we need to plan how to handle the Christmas party this year. It was discussed we should move quickly on a decision although as for now Warrensburg Parks and Rec. has halted most activities.
- Also the Halloween event at the Miller Mausoleum in Holden was Questioned and Kenny KØBCF said he would talk to Bart Towler with the event staff at the Mausoleum.

11. Net Control Volunteers

- August 9th- Joel KEØWJX
- August 16th- Cary KBØHV
- August 23rd- KR1STL Kristl
- September 6th- Keith WEØG

12. Drawings and Donations

- Total Collected for Tower Fund: \$13.00
- Total collected for 50/50 Drawing: \$29.00
 - Drawing won by: Cary, KBØHV, in the amount of \$14.50

13. Meeting Adjourned at 11:02am.