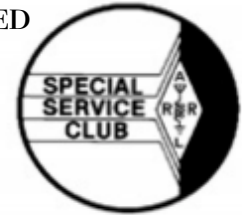




WARRENSBURG AREA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INCORPORATED



General Meeting Minutes

September 12th, 2020

1. Meeting called to order at 9:13 am.
2. Introductions
 - Members and visitors on location
 - Total present: Members: 8 Visitors: 0
 - Role call of members and guests connected to virtual meeting.
 - Total present: Members: 4 Visitors: 0
3. Presidential Announcements
 - None.
4. Secretary Report - Kenny Thomson, KØBCF
 - August minutes were passed for review and read aloud for the virtual viewers. Upon an immediately made correction to the minutes regarding winner of the 50/50 pot from WAØDVU to KBØHV a motion was made to accept by David WAØDVU and seconded by Cary KBØHV the motion carried 11:1.
5. Treasurer Report - Rick Ebbesen, KBØVZP
 - Financial Report for August was presented Kenny, KØBCF, motioned to accept Robert, KEØAVT seconded the motion carried 11:1.
6. ARES Report - Rick, KBØVZP - ARES Director
 - The next ARES meeting will be September 20th. Location will be at Johnson County EMA.
 - Rick KBØVZP also announced that last month a video series on YouTube over Winlink that can be viewed for any who wish to learn more about the operation of the program.
7. Repeater Committee - Rick, KBØVZP, Chairman
 - Rick KBØVZP announced the 1 5/8" hardline hooked up the the 146.88 repeater and it has been working very well. There was also an extra connector at the top which was also deleted which should also help loss. Also after raising it there were several good mounting brackets installed to keep the hard line in place.
 - A group also has met at the repeater site and pulled the 1 5/8" hardline to the top, which is is not yet connected. There are plans to get the hardline connected as well as raising the 440 and 220 antennas.
 - Kenny KØBCF asked about the time being off on the controller possibly being the reason the repeater link keeps dropping before nets. Larry WØXE said he didn't believe that was the issue and may have to contact S Comm to find the issue.
 - Kenny also asked about some stability issues with the Wires-X on the fusion repeater when linking it to other repeaters. Dave NØEIR had a good explanation and gave a lot of information about how the firmware of another radio not being updated when the user has been locking up repeaters. We actually saw this happen a while back and the repeater locked in transmit. Although the instability when linked to another repeater via Wires-X seems to be an unstable internet issue at times. Kristl KRISTL will meet with Liberty Link before the next meeting to discuss further plans to resolve our internet issues.

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

- Cary KBØHV noted that the county wide mask restrictions would be lifted as of August 13th. This change may allow us to resume meeting at the EMA.
- Also Cary announced with Director Troy Armstrong KEØOAU moving to another job that Deputy Director Cassidy Potect KEØWJY has applied to step up into the role of Director at the EMA. This will change our chain of command contact and either Kenny or Kristl will be speaking with her soon to check status of resuming meetings at the facility.

9. Website Committee - Larry Vandivier, W9XE

- Larry noted that he had updated the membership roster.
- Also Larry W9XE mentioned that Word Press has offered upgraded storage options that would allow us to expand the website. These packages come at a cost which was discussed and since Larry had just renewed our license that we will discuss the upgrade at a later date. For now Larry may clean up the for sale page and maybe some of the pictures to make some room.

10. Old Business

- Kristl noted we had discussed a ham looking to upgrade to general who has vision impairments. He has a hard time focusing and being able to read on bright or especially white backgrounds. She asked how we would be able to accommodate him and if we could see to it by the November testing. Larry W9XE said he would look into it.
- Kenny KØBCF also noted our special event call sign of WØH was approved and the event at the Mausoleum has been approved by the events coordinator for the grounds.
- Kristl KR1STL also brought up that last month we discussed what to do about the Christmas party. Cary KBØHV had an idea for a special event net held on the night we would typically hold the party. Kristl KR1STL also thought we could do something virtually for awards and such.

11. New Business

- David WAØDVU mentioned that him and Joel KEØWJX have discussed building an outhouse on the old base with outlying scraps they already had Laing around.
- Rick KBØVZP asked about the Henry Amplifier for the 440 repeater. It was discussed some time back about getting that amplifier repaired and possibly getting the power bypass installed for power outages. Larry W9XE said he believed Henry estimated around \$300.0 for repairs if it was the problem they thought it was. This price could not be determined exactly without proper diagnosis. There was a motion to send the repeater in for diagnosis made by Kenny KØBCF and seconded by Cary KBØHV the motion carried 11:1.

12. Net Control Volunteers are

- September 13th-KBØHV
- September 20h-KBØVZP
- September 27th-KØBCOF
- October 4th-KR1STL
- October 11th N4GJO

13. Drawings and Donations

- Total Collected for Tower Fund: \$22.00
- Total collected for 50/50 Drawing: \$12.00
 - Drawing won by: Cary, KBØHV, donated back

14. Meeting Adjourned at 11:49am. Motioned by Kenny KØBCF seconded by David WAØDVU carried 11:1