

San Luis Valley Amateur Radio Association December Meeting Agenda

12/5/2020

Attendees: List of those in attendance. Robert Austin, Adam Lock, Rick Syring, Frank Flohr, Michael Benevidez, John Fleming, Ron Carpenter, Dave Newmyer, Bob Galey, James McCloskey, Phil Schechter, Erik Dunn. Dave Osborn, Nate Randall, Eric & Zane Stephenson.

Call to Order: Prayer. Start at: 10:03AM.

Minutes: Approval of November Meeting minutes. Frank moves. Robert seconds. Motion carries to approve.

Addition of Items to Agenda: Additional items to add for discussion? None. Ron Carpenter moves to accept agenda. Robert Austin seconds. Agenda accepted as is.

Old Business/Open Issues:

-Status of bank fees being charged? Bob was going to research. Bob went to bank. They are supposed to fix the fees issue soon.

-Treasurer-Josh Hill is stepping down. Too busy with his job. Wants to stay, but not as Treasurer. Misplaced the checkbook. Constitution calls for 2 signatures. Bob talked with Adam before sending check to Robert Austin, we approved it. Not a bank requirement, a club one. Adam is to get a signature card soon.

-Annual dues to remain at \$36 for 2021. Club will start an additional fund for the 2 meter repeater operation costs. Costs are paid through August 2021. Ron asked about future costs, Adam covered. With 25 current members, that's \$900. 2021 cost will be about \$450. In 2022 it will cost about \$960.

New Business:

-Officer elections for 2021. Quorum to hold elections? YES. *"A minimum of one-fourth of the full Membership, and no less than five, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business."* 25 paid members-Dec 2020.

President- Dave Newmyer nominates Bob galey. Ron Carpenter seconds. Nomination passes.

VP-Robert Austin stands down as VP. Phil Schechter nominates Dave Newmyer. Robert Austin moves. Phil Schechter seconds. Nomination passes. Note, it is OK to do this, even though Dave is also the Trustee.

Secretary-Phil nominates Adam Lock. Robert Austin seconds. Nomination passes.

Treasurer-Phil Schechter nominates Michael Benevidez. Robert Austin seconds. Nomination passes.

-Testing other than on Saturday? Possibilities exist to do this. VEC's are working on a plan.

-January officers meeting will be 12/31/20 at 12:30PM. All outgoing and incoming officers will need to attend.

-Jan meeting will be Sat, 1/2/21 at 10AM. Testing is scheduled at Noon, if current health guidelines will allow.

Officers & Directors:

-Robert, VP. Report. Status of 501c3 application. Tax exemption is coming. Probably about 90 days. Contributions can be retroactive to foundation date of club. Also shared new Raspberry PI 400 unit.

-Adam, Secretary. Website & Social Media Report. Report. No cost to host website. Bob will pay for domain name for 2021. Social media is going well.

-Josh, Treasurer. Financial Report. NO REPORT.

-Dave, Trustee. Report.

-2 meter machine tied into Allstar now. Linked to Fun Machine System for 12:15 weather net. Bob discussed being tied in so Creede folks can access the nets.

-Frank, Net/Outreach: Covered all items below.

-Net Controls for December? No net on 12/24. Good for December.

-1 year anniversary operations. 12/5. Operators must stay within their class privileges. If operating, keep a log and send it to Frank.

-James, Testing/Education. Lots of members. Very good first year. General thanks to everyone.

-Phil, EMCOMM. Report. Phil intros Dave Osborn.

Presentation: Post operations report from Dave Osborn. Afterwash. Regional Field Manager for FEMA. Located in the old Budweiser building in Alamosa. Covered basics of who he is and what he does. ARES is still vital today. Riley Frasier is wanting to get involved with our group, he is in east Colorado.

-Exercise recap. Last time was 11 years ago, last large functional exercise. Went well. Future functional exercise too. Count Dave's group in. New repeater – because of the Spring Fire. If DTRS link in Costilla county goes down, it would be detrimental, in a vulnerable spot now. Dale Meyer helped get the repeater done. 719-480-9024- primary number. 719-588-5600-secondary number for Dave Osborn.

Bob asked more about the repeater. It is a first response focused repeater. Not open at this time, but could consider. Would be a good partnership. Dave recommended getting hold of counties emergency communications plan. Recommend that the group have them. Will send them to Phil. There is a grant for the valley, available, Tic plan? Important to have group info.

Next Meeting: Jan 2, 2021, 10AM. Do a Zoom meeting. Testing will be by appointment only. Testing to follow meeting. Potential to do remote testing, via ARRL. Could refer to other groups that do remote testing, rather than take it on. Michael did it online. Will have to figure this out before January. Make sure if we advertise, that it's by appointment. Erik Stephenson wants to test for General. Rick wants to test for Technician. Erik Dunn is a VE as well.

Adjournment. Meeting ended at: 11: 09AM Motion to adjourn, James McCloskey moves. Frank seconds.