

## San Luis Valley Amateur Radio Association May Meeting Minutes

5/1/2021

Attendees: In person meeting only. In attendance. Bob Gale, Adam Lock, Skip Randall, Rick Syring, Michael Benevidez, Erik Dunn, Frank Flohr, Dave Newmyer, Troy Dieckman.

Call to Order: Pledge & Prayer. Start at: 10:07AM

Minutes: Approval of minutes from April Meeting. Troy moves, Michael seconds. Approved.

Addition of Items to Agenda: Additional items to add to the agenda for discussion? None.

### Old Business/Open Issues:

-Annual dues to remain at \$36 for 2021. Mail to PO Box 452, MV 81144. Adam to send new list to Michael. Michael to reach out to non-paid members.

-SLVARA activating event/SES for Cinco de Mayo celebration. Table in front of SCCS. Discussed counterpoise for vertical antennas. Frank has an MFJ Octopus coming in. Bring 2 meter HT's to offer comm assistance as needed. Schedule of shifts? 11AM to 8PM is event time, 5/5/2021. Use ear buds for HTs. Simplex frequency for internal comm, 146.52 recommended. Use repeater to talk about Cinco & invite people. Medical? We missed it. Skip will bring stuff. Frank & Adam to post on social media & website.

### New Business:

-May 6 is National Day of Prayer. 6PM, Chapman Park. Bob encourage people to attend.

-CCARC meeting at Noon. Dave & Bob to attend via zoom at church. Proposing in bylaws. If larger club, several repeaters, several votes, descending. KOSLV is a small club. No formal request to change frequency yet.

-Guidelines for Community Events. How Amateur Radio Ops can help. Attachment to email.

### Officers & Directors:

-Dave, VP/Trustee. Report. 2 meter repeater. Still not sure of the future. Monthly costs to maintain. Alcon has a 100' tower that may be available. Antenna is 100' up now. If free, then cost is connecting it up. Still on another's property, internet unknown. In Alamosa. Expensive to move. Would have to remove coax & reinstall on new tower. More dues paying members, would help on the yearly costs. 2 meter repeater could be set up as a C4FM exclusive. Still looking for a location.

-Adam, Secretary.

-Website & Social Media Report.

- Parks & Rec-Pavilion in Chapman Park. Field Day. Still working on this.

-Michael, Treasurer. Financial Report. PO Box paid by Adam-1 year. Reimburse. \$1,964.94 total in budget. 17 paying members. Bank branch in Monte is closing. Going to rotate doughnut cost among members going forward.

-Erik, Net & Contests. Report.

-Field Day 2021. Consider bandpass filters. Expensive. Dedicated radios & frequencies. Erik has laptops to serve for logging.

-POTA April Activation follow up report. Success.

-May POTA info. May 15. Meet 9:30AM at church.

-SOTA. 20 days in July. Who wants to participate? SOTA locator phone app available. Lots of possible locations. Only have to be registered with SOTA as a peak to make it official.

-June and July meetings delayed until 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month. June 12. Move board meeting too. July meeting on the 10<sup>th</sup>. Also testing at the July meeting.

-Frank, QSL Cards/QRZ Page. Report.

-James, Testing/Education. No report.

-Phil, EMCOMM. Report. Exercise with Don McDonald? Will have something in June to report.

Presentation: Interesting Winlink in person demonstration by Dave Newmyer.

Next Meetings: Note Change! Officers - Thu, May 27 – 12:30PM. Club – Sat, June 12, 2021, 10AM.

Adjournment. Meeting ended at: 11:55am