

San Luis Valley Amateur Radio Association October Meeting Agenda

10/2/2021

Attendees: In person meeting. In attendance: Adam Lock, Martha Lock, Bob Galey, Frank Flohr, Timothy Chittum, Skip Randall, Don McDonald, Jim McCloskey, Dave Newmyer, Michael Benevidez, Bradley Werner, Ed Narutsch, Neil Gatrell.

Call to Order/Pledge/Prayer: Start at: 10:04AM.

Minutes: Review & approval of minutes from September meeting. Frank motions, Don seconds. Passed.

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 one person and \$54 per year for a family. Mail to PO Box 452, MV 81144. Prorated.

-Working on a new angle for internet access to the 440 repeater. Skyhub discussions. Use 440 machine we maintain control, operate remotely. 90% of time, tied in with Skyhub. Repeater gets used. Skyhub network can isolate any repeaters they want, selectively. They are programming equipment now. Dale has adjusted repeater to drop CW ID'er. Skyler Fennel WOSKY. Mon eve-SBE net. Wed eve-Digital net. Motion by Don to adopt this approach & tie the repeater in. Jim seconds. Passes unanimously. Cost – about \$75 to do-Dale.

-Elections coming up again at the December meeting.

New Business:

-Update directory with phone numbers where needed. Get with Adam please.

-Jan 2022 meeting would be 1/1/2022. Delay one week? Frank motions, Adam seconds. Passed.

-ARES – Don to discuss. Phil has opted out of being ARES rep. Don is stepping in. Club will continue to participate in ARES regardless. Don did presentation to All Hazards Group this month-5 minutes. ARES is important. Added communication for public safety in general. More hams in the valley than ever before. ARES is going into county emergency ops plan. Can help with general communications and where hams can help. Essential communications. Training program & book for those who want to get involved. ICS 100, 200, 700, 800. Winlink used. Digital Communications program to send/receive forms on various frequencies/modes. ARES recognized by state of CO. ARES book for state needs updating for SLV information. Aqua Ramone repeater is up and will stay up...Don's repeater. Sheriff's people have access. Sun eve state net via Fun System. Maybe add ARES to Thursday night net.

-Discussion on The Comm Shack. Expectations, invitation to come down. Martha-Do an SES for the grand opening. Yes.

-Discussion on Colorado 4x4 and how it's going. 10, 11, 12 Meters. CB is still very active. Channel 12 is where Jeep people hang out. Solar Cycle will help higher HF bands. Frank-Josh conversation, possibility of setting up a 10 meter net.

-Equipment on table free for club members to use if/when needed. Or give to Adam & put on shelf as consignment & monies go to the club. Bob needs it out of his house. Most are single band rigs. Stuff was given to the club to help out.

Officers & Directors Reports:

-Dave, VP/Trustee. Still tying in his 440 machine to other nets.

-Adam, Secretary. Website & Social Media Report. Monthly report.

-Michael, Treasurer. Financial Report. \$2,170.94 – 25 members paying.

-Frank, Net, Contests & QSL Cards Report. OK this month for the net.

-Jim, Testing/Education. October testing again, after today's meeting. Jim, Bob, Frank, Dave-VE's. Bradley is testing for Tech, Ed's wife is testing too.

-EMCOMM. Not doing October SET this year.

Presentation: Coax connectors hands on demonstration.

Next Meetings: Officers - Thu, October 28 via Zoom. Club – Sat, November 6, 10AM.

Adjournment. Meeting ended at: 11:45AM.