



SUWANNEE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

General Meeting, 1830 hrs.

November 01, 2011

Members present:

Robert Braun	KK4DSJ	Patrick McDonnell	WS4VKD
Mark Petty	no call	Wayne Peterson	KD8MRC
Jon Beaver	KD4AMP	Steve Kostro	N2CEI
Dan Gleason	W1QBI	Steve Morgan	KK4DKF
Tom Burnett	WA4ZET	Bill Benzing	NC4YW
Alex Melia	KK4EYX		

Mr. Gleason led the Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence.

Mr. Burnett read the minutes from the October meeting. Motion by KD8MRC to accept, seconded by W1QBI. Passed.

Treasury report (\$134.42 bal.-bank statement) was distributed. Motion by W1QBI to accept, seconded by KD8MRC. Passed.

Fifty-two (52) dollars was received from the 50-50 drawing as the winner, Mark Petty, asked the club to keep his share.

Unfinished business:

1. The 440.500 repeater is down. It can be used in an emergency.
2. Christmas on the Square booth cost \$80.00 and we will not have one. CERT's representative, Kimberly, said it will have a booth and graciously will allow us to share. They also want ham participation in communication (using FRC's with 2-metre as a back-up) and security - with sheriff's department as augmentation. Those having FRCs and/or 2-meters should have them with them, with fresh/backup batteries. Here is the current listing of volunteers - would like at least 2 per hour:

Time	first	second		
08:00	Pat	McDonnell		
09:00	Pat	McDonnell		
10:00	Mark	Petty		
11:00	Wayne	Peterson	Alex	Melia
12:00	Wayne	Peterson	Alex	Melia
1:00	Dan	Gleason (POC, call to add name @ 386 984-0080)		
2:00	Tom	Burnett		
3:00	Tom	Burnett		

3. A Christmas party is desired. Patsy has agreed to have it at the Big Oak, 1629 Helveston Ave. on 10 December at 5:00 p. m. Will keep members up to date via email & on-air meeting. Last year, this was the club's December meeting! Same for this year???

Informational notes:

4. A HAM CRAM (a one-day lesson & testing) is planned for sometime in Nov.
5. Lee, Florida, should have a 2-meter repeater, 145.194, up and running soon.

New members:

Stephen Morgan	KK4DKF	ARRL member;
Alexander (Alex) Melia	KK4EYX	
Mark Petty	no call	
Steve Kostro	N2CEI	ARRL member;
Sandra Estevez	K4SME	ARRL member;

Everyone introduced him/herself.

Other:

1. SWAP SHOP: A Wilson Tri-bander with tower was offered.
2. December meeting: emergency communication procedures - ARRL vs. FEMA
3. There is a weekly net, 432.090, 2030 hrs., Thursdays; upper sideband/CW.
4. Mid-month on-air meeting will be 16 Nov 2011, 2000 hrs.

Meeting ended at 1930 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Burnett, sec. pro-tem