

Suwannee Amateur Radio Club - General Meeting Location: Suwannee County
Emergency Operations Center

September 7, 2010

Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Patrick Church; Pledge of Allegiance led by P. Church; Invocation by J. Kelman.

Attendees:	Rick Arnold	Joe Bushel
	Ben Andrews	Patrick Church
	Bill Benzing	Carmen Church
	Eric Black	Jack Hutchinson
	James Bloomfield	Joe Kelman
	Tom Burnett	Rocky Mansfield

Minutes of last meeting read by Carmen Church. Minutes were approved,

Discussion held re organization of tech license class. E. black advised he **is** ready to begin instruction. He noted that determination as to type of class training should be established. Also needed, a listing of attendees. Eric continues to update SARC website and has included lots of links to Amateur Radio sites. J. Kelman will discuss with Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) to *identify* persons with interest in becoming HAMS.

R Arnold advised Colin Boutwell (W A4RKR) is looking for Volunteer Examiners (VEs).

J. Kelman provided the following: Discussed and distributed new ARES forms.

Provided Information re upcoming Georgia and Alabama SETs. Fundamental purpose of the drill is to test intra-state amateur radio communications. SET is planned for October 2, 2010. Discussion held re SARCs readiness to participate. E. black advised he has PSKI capability. Must decide soon if SARC plans to participate. J. Kelman will not be available for this. Must drill if we plan to participate.

Requested a volunteer to assume duties of Area Emergency Coordinator (AEC) to replace Chad Mason. No volunteers came forward.

J. Kelman and J. Bushel volunteered to be call License trustees and will apply for Club call sign.

Repeater trustees named: Dan Gleason (Primary), Joe Kelman, John Beaver, Jack Hutchinson, Rocky Mansfield, Joe Bushel.

Columbia Amateur Radio Society (CARS) is offering a tech class September 21 - 23, 2010. (7:00pm - 10:00pm) at Lake City Baptist Temple. Location information is available on CARS website.

Tom Burnett (Club Treasurer) was provided a copy of the minutes of the SARC Inaugural Meeting (July 6, 2010). This is needed to establish a checking account. He also noted the club should establish ~ budget

proposal for the coming year. Dues must be determined, also. Discussion was held and it was decided to shelve until the next general meeting.

J. Bushel will donate a dual band antenna.

Further discussion was held concerning location and time for future SARC meetings Since Kimberly and Sharon are not paid to stay beyond their regular work schedule. it was unanimously agreed time and location will remain as is.

J. Hutchinson advised the 410 repeater cams are tuned and peaked. Will be good to go as soon as new antenna is installed.

E. Black passed out a sample of proposal for club logo. All members please provide feedback including recommended changes.

P. Church in his closing remarks reiterated his hope that local clubs work together to further enhance Ham Radio. He called for the meeting to be adjourned at 7:00pm. Seconded by C. Church and motion passed unanimously.