Sky Valley Amateur Radio Club Minutes September 19, 2009

Call to Order: 08:03 by Tom K8TOM

<u>Introductions:</u> David KB7GFL, Brad KE7EOF, Ken KE7TJH, Brian KD7LS, Mike WB7FJG, Bruce W7BCW, Kathy KE7CGE, Mike KE7OKV, Eldon WA0UWH, Diane KE6JRP, Charles N6IBI, Tom K8TOM, Nathan KE7HOJ, Dan N7ENE, Martin AC7SI, Ken KE7PMX, Dave W7AGJ, Patrick KT7I visitor

<u>Secretary/Treasurer Report:</u> \$760.66 activity -\$49.21 for Field Day expenses, -\$15.00 for WWRA coordination dues and +\$0.13 interest.

Repeater Status:

70 cm Okay 6 m Inop 2 m link Okay APRS Inop

<u>Old Business:</u> 70cm repeater seems to have "spotty' coverage along Flo-Acres Rd and Old Owen Road. Dave W7AGJ will conduct a survey of the area and report at the October meeting.

Brad discussed the Monroe Auxiliary Communications group status. A prerequisite to joining would be completion of the IS-100 and IS-700 courses available through the FEMA.gov web site. These are on line courses. Course completion certificates should be emailed to $\frac{\text{monroecci@cimonroe.wa.us}}{\text{monroecci@cimonroe.wa.us}}.$

David and Brad will meet and work on the club history project. When this is completed the project will be posted on the club's web site.

Nathan has been renovating the club's web page. Please send feedback to Nathan via his email listed on the web page. There has been some spam issues on the forum login, so Nathan will manually add people to the forum upon email request.

New business: None

<u>Good of the Order:</u> This weekend is the WA state QSO party. This provides a great operating opportunity from HF to 6 meters. Look at <u>www.wwdxc.org</u> for rules.

Mike Terry KE7OKV presented information about NOAA weather radios that are capable of Specific Area Message Encoding, SAME coding. This allows the radio to activate for specific counties. Mike also discussed disaster preparedness and upcoming winter weather and flooding.

Adjournment: 08:47 by Tom