



Sky Valley Amateur Radio

Month, Year Meeting Minutes

Nov. 18, 2017

Call to Order: 08:45 by Dave KB7GFL

Introductions: 13 in attendance and 2 guests (Mike Rubino & David Fine)

Secretary/Treasurers Report: \$869.09 in bank account, \$64 in petty cash (\$29 from 50/50)

Repeater Status / Net Report: 70cm – op reported good with new repeater/controller, now at W7BCW's work shop using clubs ground plane antenna; 2m link – op and reports of good signals using new link rig; APRS – reports of hearing but cannot connect to; 6m – from others report that it is op; NET @ 19:30 hours every Tuesday status by Cybyl N6IBI averaging 6 check in's for November so far. Bruce W7BCW talked about getting quotes for the repeater transmission line replacement and 2 quotes were returned from 2 vendors. Davis RF \$218 + \$25 shipping estimate, The Antenna Farm \$175 + shipping estimate unknown but may be same as Davis RF. This is for LMR-600 coax plus PL259 on one end and other a male type N.

Website Report: The clubs webmaster Kathy K7THY showed the club the current website and navigated to several areas of the website showing what is available for members to use whether it be ACS, members, pictures, flood watches or links etc. (too many to list here). Please visit the Clubs website as there is a plethora of info there for all to check out. WWW.W7SKY.ORG

Old Business: Kathy K7THY brought the new hats and shirts that club members had ordered. Hats and shirts can be ordered at any time. Dave KB7GFL mentioned a page on clubs website can be printed out and kept with car in case police confusion with mobile device usage during driving. Dave KB7GFL brought up meeting with club officers and a couple of members to discuss changes to the clubs by-laws and constitution, this is ongoing due to info gleaned from ARRL site on by-laws and constitution make up. Brad KE7EOF discussed the new EOC trailer that will be for Monroe and available for clubs use when not being used for other events. This trailer replaces the bus that broke down and required \$60K for repair.

New Business: Dave KB7GFL received communication from National Weather service on becoming weather spotters. A link will be posted to the clubs website on this. Mike K7LLY brought up there is no APRS setups in Snohomish County where weather stations can log into, needs internet connection.

Good of the Order: New member Bill KE7WTR talked about his experiences in the military as a CW op listening to cold war foes in Europe that used CW communications.

Adjournment: 09:50, 50/50 after and Dave KB7GFL won pot but donated winnings back to Club.