

Sky Valley Amateur Radio Club June 20, 2020 Virtual Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: 0900 hours by Garth KA7BVS via Zoom. Opening remarks included a reading of the Mayor of Monroe's Proclamation of the week of June 19-25th as Amateur Radio Week.

Introductions: 15 members on Zoom

Treasurers Report: \$439.76 in bank account \$10.00 in cash

Webmaster Report: Webmaster Kathy K7THY reported new items. Repeater page showing repeated status updates.

Repeater Status/Net Report: 70cm - main Yaesu DR-1X repeater TX has failed. Now using ICOM RP4020 backup and setup at W7BCW QTH for now. NET @ 19:30 hours every Tuesday averaging 11-12 check in's. Net schedule: 7/14 Ernie W7EDA 7/21 John AC7LC 7/26 Kathy K7THY

Old Business: Bruce W7BCW reports that TX side cavity becomes very warm, hot, when running under full load. A cooling fan was installed but is not a final solution. The Yaesu equipment is not up to the task and replacement parts and support are too expensive and inadequate. The prospect of new repeater equipment is to be researched.

New Business: Field Day will not be at Lake Tye due to social distancing. Home operations will be our method and there was a lengthy presentation by Garth KA7BVS and John AC7LC on the use and operation of the N3FJP application for logging and reporting of Field Day contacts. Both Garth and John will be available on Field Day for on-line support. Kathy K7THY suggested that in addition to the Mayors Proclamation, the club consider the purchase of a large banner mimicking the proclamation. Tom K8TOM suggested that a design be determined and a vendor sought out: possible a donor.

Good of the Order: No items

Adjournment: 10:15 By John AC7LC, second by Tom K8TOM