



Sky Valley Amateur Radio Club

October 17, 2020 Virtual Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: 0900 hours by Garth KA7BVS via ZOOM. The club now has a Zoom account so time limitations are eliminated. The previous month minutes were read and approved by Jim KI7WXT and John AC7LC.

Introductions: 16 members on ZOOM

Treasurers Report: \$578.05 in bank account. \$30.00 in cash

Webmaster Report: Webmaster Kathy K7THY reported finding 9 years of old club minutes. Archived minutes are now viewable at Club Minutes page. Perusing them is encouraged. The classified items page is currently empty. A new script for net control is now posted on the web site and net controllers are urged to read and follow it. Net controllers are reminded that they must sign the net log before it is submitted.

Repeater Status/Net Report: Bruce W7BCW reported that the repeater is working well on all three bands. The cooling fan is working well. The City of Sultan Water Department is in agreement with the club relocating the repeater to inside the container and with the associated new cabling and power modifications. There will be new coax cabling and a mast to accommodate it. Bruce recommended a new duplexer for the repeater. Dave KI7DPP generously offered to fund the purchase of the duplexer. The net schedule is: 11/3 John AC7LC, 11/10 Kathy K7THY, 11/17 Sharon KE7EZB, 11/24 Garth KA7BVS.

Old Business: Bruce W7BCW reports that the issues with the repeater are basically solved and future work will be addressed as new business.

New Business: Kathy K7THY suggested that a position be created in the club to welcome new members and acquaint them with the club functionality. She also referred to the membership recruiting pamphlet that resides on the "Lots of Links" page. Tom K8TOM reported that the club is now registered as a Non-Profit Organization with the State of Washington and we are getting closer to a non profit status (EIN#) for a GoFundMe account. In order to be non-profit with the federal government, IRS forms must be submitted and the processing rate is quite slow. Sharon KJ7EZB suggested a tech session for new operators who may need assistance. It was agreed that such a session be held after the regular ZOOM session.

Good of the Order: John AC7LC reported that the ARRL School Roundup is imminent and can be referenced in the ARRL Web Contests.

Adjournment: 10:20