

AJARC

Minutes from Net Meeting

May 5th, 2020, 7 pm (19:00)

Location: Directed net on Club Repeaters on the 145.390/443.200/53.010.

Next meeting: June 2nd, 2020 Roby Center (depending on status of Covis-19 rules)

1. Net Meeting (NetLogger will be used to track attendees.)

Normal meeting procedures modified to function as a Directed Net. Meeting was led by Ian Bible (KE4EAC). NETLOGGER can be found at <https://www.netlogger.org/>.

Attendances: 19 people joined the net. Logging the net was Bobby Gass (N4FV).

Secretary/Treasurer report

Larry Whiteside: Last month's meeting minutes are posted on the web site. Agenda for this meeting were also on AJARC web site. Club expenses for the month include GLPS payment of \$26.00, and two checks were issued to reimburse members for expenses; one was issue to Larry Whiteside for the IRS paperwork filling fee (\$275), and one to Bobby Gass for the new exterior camera at the tower (\$64.99). Both had been authorized by membership. Checking account balance as of May 5th, 2020 is \$5,911.66.

Membership: We currently have 36 members with 5 memberships expired/expiring as of this month. Emails have been set those that had expired memberships provided I had their emails. There are 3 honorees/trustees.

2. Old business:

6 Meter repeater: Bobby report that there is some settings in the code causing it to time-out and it is going to take some focused time to dig into the code.

501c3: Larry Whiteside filed the paper work on April 8th, 2020 but has not received a response. IRS website stated that we should give them one month from the date of filing for them to respond.

Seismic equipment at the tower update (Ian): Ian was able to meet on 4/30/2020 with John Parker, Research Associate, with the Center for Earthquake Research and Information (CERI), University of Memphis. The Center has had detection equipment installed at the tower site and had been wanting to meet to talk about our agreement and their ongoing needs to upgrade their technology. John met with Ian and was provided keys, and provided verbally to Ian their plan to update their equipment. CERI plans to upgrade to a modern digital system, including erecting new mast at the approved location. New cables will be run through the tower flooring with proper sealing to prevent critter access. These plans were approved by Ian during the meeting of April 30th, 2020 at tower meeting. Rather than attempting to catch up on missed dues, they agreed to provide a new equipment cabinet which they will install later this summer. As part of the new agreement, AJARC

will be submitting to CERI an invoice for annual power usage to cover some costs. They also agreed to help with key maintenance needs like window replacements, roof, and outside walkway wood.

They both agreed that a MOU needs to be drawn up with them to cover these items. Larry was directed to invoice them for 2020 power usage per the new agreement.

Tower repairs: During the meeting Bobby Gass suggested that a new committee needs to be formed to handle tower maintenance outside of the technical equipment committee. Ian suggested Bobby (N4FV) and Dennis (KN4JSF) be on the committee and Bobby declined to be on the committee. It was brought up that maybe CERI Memphis might be able to help with the structural concerns with the tower but Ian explained that those issues were not brought during the meeting with them. Roof and other items were deemed more critical.

3. New Business

ARES: FEMA courses can be completed online to get your certifications.

(<https://training.fema.gov/is/crslist.aspx>)

Field day: Larry Whiteside - Pavilion 3 has been reserved June 27-28, 2020. He was informed by Kinser Park staff to wait to pay fee until the date of the reservation. Larry will follow up before then to make sure that is acceptable.

Hamfest 2020: Larry Whiteside has been going through all the ticket stubs from 2019 and looking up email addresses based on call signs and adding them to an excel spread sheet to send out notices about the 2020 event. He plans to send out email reminder notices twice with a PDF attachment. It was suggested by Bobby (N4FV) and Rob (N4RBJ) that we use Mail Chimp to send out and set up email addressed through the club for Larry to use (AJARC@???). Larry will get with them about how move on doing this for the HamFest.

Web site (www.ajarc.org): Meeting minutes and other information is being updated to be sure to visit the site.

If you're looking to becoming a licensed ham or just upgrade, there will be a testing opportunity in Rogersville on May 18th @ 5 PM. The location is at Hawkins Co Gas, 202 Park BLVD, Rogersville TN. Contact Rodney, W4WRE for more info: w4wre66@gmail.com. There will be an all-day study session in Bulls Gape on May 23 followed by testing.

4. Roundtable

Bobby Gass (N4FV) suggested that members bring their any current projects to discuss/demo them at the end of the meeting in June.

Meeting ended at 19:35

Net Attendees from NETLOGGER

1	KE4EAC	President
2	KN4MVH	Secretary/Treasurer
3	N4FV	Logger
4	K4MIJ	
5	K3MIJ	
6	WA4TTP	
7	KN4JSF	
8	N4MRK	
9	K4MIK	
10	KE4KKI	
11	KJ4OOQ	
12	KN4VWR	
13	N4RBJ	
14	KI4ILI	
15	KM4FYJ	Vice President
16	AG4OB	
17	K8LOU	
18	N7VUC	
19	KJ4EOC	