AJARC

Meeting Minutes September 6th, 2022

Location: Old Oak Tap Room, 7pm

Present: 21 Members, 7 Guests, President, Vice President and Sec/Treasurer, and Dale Knight

ARRL TN Section Public Information Coordinator

Next meeting: October 4th, 2022 7PM, Greene County Makers Space, 310 South Cutler Street,

Greeneville, TN 37743

Meeting

The meeting was called to order, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, and then a prayer led by Abner Richards.

1. Secretary/Treasurer report

Larry Whiteside (KN4MVH)-Sec/Treasurer report: Deposits of \$254.20 (\$23.03 in dues, ~\$1.32 interest income est., \$205 in donations. Expenses totaled \$878.05 (GLPS of \$34.00, Go-Daddy for website registration \$30.16, Zelma Edmundson \$105, eBay camera \$82.50, Debit Card for Library books \$500, Check to Scott Bird for Field day expenses gas cans and fuel \$126.39). Checking balance as of August 30th, 2022 is \$7295.48. Memberships: 54. We are still expecting bills from field day from Charlie Flint. For the year, we have received \$43.81 from the Amazon Smiles program.

Please check on your membership on the AJARC.org web site as we show there are 5 memberships expiring. Renew through PayPal or by check. If you have questions about your membership please contact Larry Whiteside at KN4MVH@gmail.com. Minutes are on the website for review. I removed two club members from the list which had been notified but never responded from May 2022.

2. Old business:

Hamfest 2023 (April 15th): The Hot Dog man has informed us that he will not be coming back in 2023 so we will need to locate another vendor to provide breakfast, coffee and lunch options.

Swapmeet September 24th, 2022/Fox Hunt - Swapmeet chair Bob Gass (N4FV), Fox Hunt committee Bryan Smith (W2BRN), Scott Bird (KM4FYJ) and Dennis Holt (N4DWH): We will meet at the school at 6pm Friday night to discuss logistics, staging, signage, and coordination of people. Swapmeet will be from 8am to noon at Hal Henard School.

There is a **small conflict** with the school as they are having a Breakfast fundraiser from 730-9:30 in the Cafeteria. Nice thing is that if people coming to Swapmeet want to eat, they get something in the school by making a donation. We may need to coordinate with school staff on where their staff will park. Because of fundraiser, will not need to pay \$100 for the custodian services.

Fox-Hunt will be a two stage hunt, first a close/near hunt, then a county-wide hunt. There will be a prize for the winner of the county-wide hunt. The committee will be drafting up the rules. There will be an entry fee of \$10, and teams will be two people per team. Prize will be two HRO \$50 gift cards and Bryan Smith (W2BRN) has agreed to donate them. Club has purchased another transmitter for the fox hunting. There a special prizes for the kids teams that participate. The new fox has been purchased and Bryan was reimbursed. It was paid for by a donation at the last meeting.

Towers/ repeaters: Repair party scheduled for Sept 10-11, 2022, to tear off the rest of roof and replace with new. Repair fascia boards. We need people who can climb and work on the roof. Rain has been forecasted so we might need to reschedule.

Field Day June 25-26, 2022: Field day pin was provided to Charlie Flint (K4CMF) and he gave the club bills for the food and receipts for the other donated items. Charlie made donation to the event.

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Nominations Committee for 2023 Allie Peet (AA6IM), Mark Slemp (N4MRK) and Abner Richards (K4MIK): They haven't met yet.

AJARC W4WC Trustee status update on transition: no information

Technician Training Steve Bible (N7HPR) update:

Grant proposal submission status-Steven Bible (N7HPR): Steven reported that the Grant has been award to the Club as he received an email from the ARRL Foundation. We are waiting to receive the official letter and check. He will be needing from volunteers to help out with the classes, to set up the equipment and work on the curriculum material. Ralph Bible has an entire ham shack that is going to be donated to the radio club. He will need volunteers to help pull it out and donate it the Grant project.

Walmart donation Larry Whiteside (KN4MVH): Books have been purchased and have arrived. We have been in touch with Library staff about scheduling a presentation at the library. We will contact the Walmart Warehouse and see if they are willing to participate in the presentation.

CORE FCC system, Club Call sign, FRN number - Bob Gass (N4FV): Bob reported that there is an issue in getting the transfer of FRN to a new email and Dale Knight (AB4DK) suggested we use an 605 Form from ARRL to facilitate the transition.

Training presentation at the October meeting Larry White (AG4OB): Larry reminded everyone of the next meeting and the presentation he will be making on Passing Traffic.

3. New Business

ARRL representative: Dale Knight (AB4DK) from ARRL spoke about how happy they were to hear about the grant being awarded the club. He is willing to help with promotion of the award. Dale is the Public Information Coordinator (PIC) for the Tennessee Section.

Report on Saturday 27th Sky-Warn meeting by Larry Whiteside: Morristown NWS is limiting Skywarn staff due to the current national security threat level of 3. Once the level is reduced to Zero, Skywarn staff will be allowed back into the facility. District 7 asst. coordinator is now Justin Farris (KE4PCX). Erik McCord (District 7 Coordinator (WX4ET) is willing to come and make a presentation about Skywarn or train others about Skywarn. NOAA phone app is going away and is being replaced with an APP called "CLIME" which is a viewer. (https://etskywarn.com/)

AJARC.org Web sites Ian Bible (KE4EAC): We have been working to move it to a new host and expect it to be back up soon.

4. Roundtable

Meeting adjourned time: 20:18