



Thursday, 21 November, 2019

Woodbridge Amateur Radio Club

Minutes for General Meeting

- Call to Order – Called to Order at 7:30pm
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Round of Introductions
- Call for New Member Applications – No new applications were presented
 - Technical Presentation: Home Brewing Electronic Projects, presented by Scott (KK4SNO)
- President's Report – Butch Ayres (K4UTK)
 - Winter Field Day: Winter Field Day will be on 25 Jan, and housed in the Tall Oak Community Center. Scott (KK4SNO) is the lead for this event.
 - Lakeridge Association Open House: LRPRA is requesting WARC's participation at their Open House on 18 Jan. They would like us to set up a table with demonstrations. Please get with Butch (K4UTK) if you are able to assist with this.
- Committee Reports
 - Treasurer's Report - Rob Williams (KJ4LWN) / Kathy Lamont: Kathy covered the proposed Budget of 2020. The fact that the proposed budget has a negative balance was discussed, as well as some possible actions to allow for the deficit to be made up (John Saulsbery offered the use of his food truck as a fund raiser, as well as there was a discussion about increasing the club dues in 2021).
 - Technical Committee / Repeater - Stu Mitchell (WA0DYJ) – the 2M and 220 machines have been moved back to the Shack. Stu is seeking someone who can lift 100lb+ batteries to help move them. The larger backup batteries are still at Stu2's place in Stafford and will be moved at a later date. Stu2 has put a sensor on each of the repeater Transmit line for data collection. The final Water Tower Move Cost is still unknown. The 450 machine remains at the hotel, as is not expected to be moved until June or July.
 - Education Committee - Rob Williams (KJ4LWN) – Rob has started to put out some feelers to see if there is an interest in a General Licensing Class.
 - Website – Larry Bates (K0LB) – Updated the website with the Christmas Party information and new Officers. Larry inquired whether we wanted to add the repeater stats gathered from the new sensors to the website.
 - Member Activities - Kathy Lamont (KM4TAY) – No real report. There were questions as to whether we wanted to have a “show and tell” at the Robotics faire. She also raised the fact that the Battlefield Makers' Faire would be on the same day as the Winter Field Day.
 - Ways and Means - Claude Winters (W4MLD) – Claude reminded club members that they can use smile.amazon.com and select the Woodbridge Wireless charity to donate to the club each time they make a Smile eligible purchase.

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- Christmas Party – Stu Mitchell (WA0DYJ) – Brittany's is the new location for the Christmas Party. We can hold about 80 persons. We will not be able to acquire the normal ABC permit, so all drinks must be purchased from their bar. Would like to get a good attendance count so the table layout can be worked up. Stu will send out a map to the new location.
 - Other Committee Business? There was a briefing about a possible alternate Field Day site at the Tank Farm in Nokesville. There was also discussion about the club setting up a demo tent during the Tank Farm's Open House (scheduling pending).
- New Business
- 50/50 Drawing
 - Club Budget Vote – Motion was made by Larry Bates (K0LB) to accept the budget as presented. It was seconded by Scott Bogart (KK4SNO). The motion carried unanimously. Due will remain at \$36.00 for the year of 2020.
 - Tower for Antietam Elementary – Butch raised the thoughts of providing Antietam Elementary with a tower that the club currently has and is not using. It was discussed that they will need a house bracket, foundation pad, anti-climb equipment. Kathy to take the lead of a team to complete a site survey and determine the true needs to complete the installation.
 - Consideration of New and Reinstatement Members – John Saulsbery – (KM4ZOF) (accepted unanimously).
 - Larry Reynolds – Inquired whether there was an interest in establishing a Fox Hunt session. Some interest was indicated.
 - Butch provided the dates for the Lake Ridge Open House on Jan 18 and Winter Field Day on Jan 25.
- Date of Next WARC General Meeting
- No general Meeting in December (Christmas Party) – 12 Dec 2019
- Motion to adjourn – Raised by Scott Bogart (KK4SNO) / Seconded by Larry (K0LB). Passed. Meeting closed at 9:00pm. 19 Persons were in attendance.