

WEST VOLUSIA AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

SECRETARY REPORT

July Minutes 2019

Tom Lantzy

7/23/2019



Secretary_____

President_____



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Meeting Notes

Meeting Opened (President Ken Peck)

Secretary Report (Tom Lantzy)

Treasurer (Greg Giest)

Receivables

Payables

Repeat Program Manager (Dave Sutherland)

Program Manager (Jim Lowry)

Public Information Manager

Testing Manager (Dave Templeton)

Equipment Manager (Charlie McCrary)

Net Manager (Bob Clarke)

Old Business

New Business

Closing



MEETING NOTES

Meeting opened (President Ken (AE2KP)

President Ken led the pledge recitation.

A Quorum of 14 members would be needed if necessary.

Ken posted the Field Day Log with the following points: 750 bonus points, 40 CW contacts, 37 Digital contacts and 46 phone contacts

SECRETARY REPORT (Tom Lantzy)

June 2019 minutes posted on our web page

Had a motion to approve by Dave (N4NG) and seconded by Bob (W4RWC) Unanimous approval by members

Minutes are posted on the web at <http://westvars.org/monthly-meetings>

TREASURER (Greg Giest)

June Treasurer report posted on the web.

Greg (N4ZZN) gave a brief summery.

50-50 was \$9.00; current balance is \$1934.47

Motion to approve Treasurer report by Bob (W4RWC) and seconded by James (WX4TV) Unanimous approval by members.

Treasurer reports are posted on our web site.

REPEATER PROGRAM MANAGER (Dave Sutherland)

No problems



PROGRAM MANAGER (JIM LOWRY)

Jim (K4HXY) indicated he would defer any items to the planned antenna discussion.

PUBLIC INFORMATION MANAGER

Gary (N1JSN) not available

TESTING MANAGER (DAVE TEMPLETON)

No testing this month. No confirmed calls for next month. Dave mentioned the passing of Doug Hubbs (K4DMH SK.) Doug was a VEC who administered tests on opposite months of us. Dave did not see any reason to change our bimonthly testing. Dave is working on training items for the administration of tests.

EQUIPMENT MANAGER (CHARLIE McCRARY)

Nothing to report

NET MANAGER (BOB CLARKE)

Bob (W4RWC) reports that the nets yielded 53 on the 2 meters, 13 on the 10 meters and 9 on the 6 meters.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

The 50-50 yielded \$24.00 for the club.

There was a discussion concerning having a phone patch on the repeater, but it was rejected due to cost and put on hold for future consideration.

ANTENNAS

Do we need to acquire our own club equipment?

James (WX4TV) had on display an antenna on a push up mast and mounted on a tripod. The Mast was \$189.00, the guy rings \$25.00, and the tripod was \$329.00. A tilt option would be \$329.00 He made the X beam antenna that was mounted on the mast.

George (AE4TG) discussed the use of a loop antenna and disseminated a paper on the loop antenna. It could be used on field day. We could build it and test it on September 14th when we do pre field day testing.

Jim (K4HXY) reported that his antenna he used for CW on field day worked very well. It was just a wire antenna that took 15 minutes to set up and 15 minutes to tear down.

Greg (N4ZZN) recommended we at least invest in some push up poles and coax.

After some discussion about purchasing coax, it was decided that James (WX4TV) would check the pricing of Messi and Paoloni coaxial cable at 1000 feet plus 20 connectors and coaxial cable scissors.

If we purchased a push up pole, we decided to stick with 36 feet and James will price out the pole and tripod.

We will make some decisions at the next meeting when we get the pricing on items.

Dave (N4NG) relayed information regarding a deceased ham whose widow was selling some old equipment and Ken indicated he could post the information on our web site.

James (WX4TV) provided information regarding a man who wants to activate a lighthouse in the Atlantic Ocean south of Wilmington NC into a ham station and maybe some of us would be interested in getting involved.

Ken brought up with James regarding ARES sponsor of several bicycles rides and asked James to keep us informed as to the need for 2-meter assistance during the rides.

Bob (W4RWC) reported on a ham fest he attended in Orlando that he considered was very successful. It operates from 5 AM. To 11 AM and It is always in July.



Closing

Motion made to close by Dave (N4NG) and seconded by George (AE4TG) and accepted by members.