

WEST VOLUSIA AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

SECRETARY REPORT

June Minutes 2019

Tom Lantzy

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Secretary_____

President_____



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MEETING NOTES

Meeting opened (President Ken (AE2KP)

Vice President Mike (W4MJF) led the pledge recitation.

A Quorum of 14 members would be needed if necessary.

SECRETARY REPORT (Tom Lantzy)

May 2019 minutes posted on our web page

Had a motion to approve by Dave (N4NG) and seconded by James (WX4TV) Unanimous approval by members

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

TREASURER (Greg Giest)

May Treasurer report posted on the web.

Greg (N4ZZN) gave a brief summery.

50-50 was \$27.00, Dues was \$25.00, Testing was \$75.00 in and out, Field Day Food was \$59.50, renew PO BOX was \$106.00, Last month total was \$2038.97; current total \$1925.47

Motion to approve Treasurer report by Dave (N4NG) and seconded by Bob (W4RWC) Unanimous approval by members.

Treasurer reports are posted on our web site.

REPEATER PROGRAM MANAGER (Dave Sutherland)

Repeater had hung up during Field Day, but Dave (N4GMU) was able to reset the module and it is now working. The new license was posted at the site. Dave expressed concerns regarding the need for his replacement if needed. Gary (N1JSN) volunteered for that assignment. VP Mike (W4MJF) indicated he would like to be an auxiliary for that job.



PROGRAM MANAGER (JIM LOWRY)

Jim (K4HXY) indicated he had gotten back several surveys he had passed out at the last meeting. President Ken advised members to get their surveys in to Jim so he can review them.

PUBLIC INFORMATION MANAGER

President Ken appointed Gary (N1JSN) as the Public Information Manger and he would also handle the Facebook page.

TESTING MANAGER (DAVE TEMPLETON)

No testing this month. No confirmed calls for next month. He is working on training items and mock testing and will give more details at next meeting.

EQUIPMENT MANAGER (CHARLIE McCRARY)

Nothing to report

NET MANAGER (BOB CLARKE)

Bob (W4RWC) reports that the nets yielded 63 on the 2 meters, 28 on the 10 meters and 19 on the 6 meters. The 6-meter net has moved from 8:45 to 8:30 after the 10-meter net. The consensus was this works better.

OLD BUSINESS

New Members

Jon Ayscue (KC4OU) with a motion to approve by Dave (N4NG) and seconded by James (W4XTV) Unanimous approval by members.

Michael Clifford (KN4UTU) with a motion to approve by Dave (N4NG) and seconded by Gary (N1JSN) Unanimous approval by members.

NEW BUSINESS

ARES.

James (WX4TV) made a report on ARES. On June 6th there will be a simulation event at the racetrack for the Coke 400. The idea is to show amateur radio can be relied upon in emergencies. He was requesting any volunteers to assist with communications.

On ARES field day, they used makeshift antennas to simulated emergency conditions. James indicated for next Field Day, he would not do a separate Field Day but participate with our club instead of competing with the club.

He is working with the EOC to map out Volusia County for communications on VHF and UHF simplex in the event of any communications failure. He feels our club could assist in this.

There are two upcoming bicycle events that ARES could us some help with for communications. One is November 23 and 24 and the other is in October.

Field Day

President Ken expressed thanks to all the members who participated in Field Day. On the first day there were about 20 members who showed

up, there were 5 visitors, the Deland PD, and a reporter from the Beacon who conducted interviews, and 5 members stayed overnight. A special thanks to Greg (N4ZZN) who managed the food supply. Gary (N1JSN) did great work in doing PR and getting the Beacon to respond.

Jim (K4HXY) wanted to express thanks to VP Mike (W4MJF) for making a repair to his CW equipment and to Lew (KM4RLO) who worked with Jim in doing the logging of contacts.

Ken advised that the estimate for the contact logs indicates an even split between voice, CW and Digital with about 40 contacts in each category.

For next Field Day we should plan on the same site here at the Elks Club. George (AE4T) recommended we work on our antenna systems. Either build some or purchase some and we need push up towers. Ken (AE2KP) recommended having a variety of antennas. He also suggested that any member that has an antenna idea to either build or buy could bring it to the floor in the future for presentation.

Greg (N4ZZN) commented on the fact that we had a good gathering and even though making contacts was secondary, we ended up making numerous contacts.

There was a discussion on the ability of people learning to use various radios at an event and maybe have teams assigned to each radio.

There will be a test of equipment and antennas at the Elks Lodge on September 14th.

Faith Hannah announced that she has received a \$5000.00 scholarship sponsored by ARRL. Congratulations from all members.

Gary (N1JSN) looking to have the club assist with communications between the volunteers at an Institute for water and Environment event about April 27, 2020. Ken agreed it would be ok to have the club assist.

Ken suggested that Gary as PI Manager check on us helping with any of the Christmas parades in the area.

50-50 was won by George (AE4TG) and donated it to the club. Club made \$9.00.



Closing

Motion made to close by Bob (W4RWC) and accepted by members.