

June 2023 Meeting Minutes/Secretary's Report

The meeting was held on Monday June 12th, 2023 at 1900 EST. Twelve members were needed to constitute a quorum and 14 members were present.

Officers present were:

Joe KO4BAX

Lew KM4RLO

Bob W4RWC

Tom KQ4CLQ

Members present were:

Ken AE2KP

Don KE5TUC

Diane KF5HUQ

John KO4KVV

Kelly KO4YLW

Tony KT4WM

Allan NOKFO

Dave N4GMU

Dave N4NG

Joe N9CLD

Randy W4RSR

Jim W4WJR

Gerard WT0F

Reed WW3A

George WW4GPL

Cully WW4OCF

Terry W6LMJ

David K4IXL

Kritter KQ4INM David KQ4INL

Visitors present were: Bill KI4LAJ Steve KO4IYY David W08P

The meeting was called to order at 7pm at the St. John's Lodge at 2557 N. Spring Garden Ave. in Deland.

We recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

KO4BAX points out members who have not paid dues and encourages them to do so.

Summer Field Day is happening at Tony McGee's house. KO4BAX will bring Ken's equipment to the event.

Ken AE2KP volunteers for next weeks net control. Joe N9CLD signs up for the following weeks net control. Eli Fabian wants to volunteer for a free net control spot.

Secretary report mentions groups.io adoption. Mentions presentation to come after the meeting on how to use Groups.io.

Treasurer report mentions that all things are good. Discussion insurance renewals. Mentions that reports are posted on the website.

Treasurer requests Ken AE2KP to add the tone into the net script. There is a new net script that is located on the website and groups.io. AE2KP will update the script.

AE2KP mentions repeaterbook that needs updating. KQ4CLQ will contact repeaterbook.

WW4GPL brings up frustration with local HF contacts.

Terry W6LMJ volunteers for a presentation on HF propagation.

Randy W4RSR brings up the need for a standby channel for HF nets in case the need arises. Standard policy is to move down 3KHz if our frequency is occupied.

AE2KP suggests we clear the frequency before the 2M net closes. Net control will do so.

KO4BAX suggests we adopt premium Groups.io. It is put to motion. It is carried.

WW4GPL motions to adopt the treasurer and secretary reports. They are voted on and approved.

Ken motions to approve a \$250 budget for Summer Field Day. It is approved. The motion is amended to \$300. It is voted on and approved.

KM4RLO mentions Azure Standard group showing interest in our club. Joe will make contact. Terry will help present on the effectiveness and usefulness of ham radio when it comes the topic of preparedness and offgrid living.

Ken presents on Summer Field Day. Club callsign is W4V. The date of SFD is June 24th-25th. We will be meeting at Tony McGhee's house located at 1152 W. Euclid Ave. Deland FL 32720. The one rule is to have fun.

Ken will reach out to DBARA.

A packet needs to be located at Field Day. KO4BAX will print it out and bring it. KO4BAX will bring a generator.

KO4BAX collected callsigns and will double check emails for those members.

Terry mentioned adding a PL Tone announcement on the repeater automated announcing. N4GMU will do it.

WTOF presents on Groups.io and how to use it. Everyone is now smarter because of it.

N4NG brings up the issue of preregistration for testing. There are no walk-ins allowed.

Meeting is adjourned.