

The Casper Amateur Radio Club – W7VNJ

Business Meeting Minutes

2 June 2010

I. Call to order

CARC Vice-President **Josh Cruse, KA7JUN** called to order the monthly business meeting of the **Casper Amateur Radio Club** at **1901** on **June 2, 2010** in **Natrona County's Emergency Operations Center**.

II. Attendance Roster

The following persons were present:

Note: Asterisk indicates non-member or visitor. Per club by-laws, meetings are open to the public, however only full members in good standing are allowed to vote on club business.

Josh – KA7JUN

Tate – KA7O

Mike – KE7WQP

*Mark – No Call

Jay – W7DRJ

Mike – AE7EC

Bruce – KF7CFY

Tiffany – W7TIF

Warren – KU7D

Dave – N0AXE

III. Minutes from Last Meeting

CARC Secretary Warren Appel, KU7D, read the minutes from the last meeting. Motion to accept as read was made by Tate, seconded by Mike (WQP). Motion carried.

IV. Old Business

a) FIELD DAY 2010 PLANNING:

- Bruce has secured a man-lift from a local equipment rental business for use as an antenna support. Will be at least a 40-foot lift, perhaps taller depending on what they have in inventory at the time.
- Tate found the 160m Dipole we built last time, also has a G5RV and a Mystery antenna. Jay has a 10-160 trap dipole antenna available as well as a 6m antenna.

b) 2010 ROCKY MOUNTAIN CONVENTION: Was a great success and a good time was had by all.

- CARC VE Team issued CSCE's to 5 new techs, 2 upgrades to general and 1 upgrade to Extra.
 - Warren, Josh, Tate and Bruce were inducted into the Royal Order of the Wuoff Hong.
- c) SUMMER 2010 SPECIAL EVENT STATION: Jay was still working on this as of last meeting, but wasn't sure on a location.
- Independence Rock is available, but we have to have special permission from various state agencies to make it happen. We will have to apply, but the question at this point is "when."
 - Also brought up doing something at Hot Springs State Park in Thermopolis or at Hole in the Wall.
- d) CASPER MARATHON: Is this Sunday. We're trying to nail down a final time to meet with the Marathon committee ahead of the event. The event starts at 6:30am on Sunday; all participating hams should be at the Casper Events Center NO LATER than 5:30am Sunday Morning for some final planning.
- Plan to use .235 machine for net control with .640 machine as backup. Use .280 machine for internal chatter with 146.550 simplex as backup. NO HANDHELDS – MOBILE RIGS ONLY!!!
 - Dave, N0AXE, will allow us to borrow his VX-8R for the sweeps bike, Brad riding at the front of the race with his gear and/or Bruce's.
- e) CLUB PUBLICITY DRIVE: Mike (7EC) was going to check in to getting a table at the local gun show.
- Has not happened yet – he'll work on it. Next one is in ~3 weeks, so likely won't make that one.

V. New business

- a) Jay is doing the Joshua's Storehouse poker run this weekend, and needs some help on Saturday at 7-ish in the morning setting up tents and stuff.
- b) Tate started talking about the noise we've been hearing on the .235 machine. The thought is that we need to put a different tone on the output, while leaving the input tone the same.
- We'll discuss it on the board, then it'll be publicized when/where/what the change is going to be so folks know.
- c) Dave is making an official request for an asset list/inventory of club-owned property, which we will assemble and provide to the club members.
- d) Bruce brings up the notion of the club purchasing one of the Byonics AIO APRS trackers to have on-hand for club events that we need.
- This launched into an entire discussion about fund-raising, wealth management, etc. Since we've discussed this several times, Josh is going to make contact with his Edward Jones guy and have him come to an activity meeting to discuss this with us so we know what to do.
 - We're going to wait on the tracker until we have a better idea of how it will be used and how to fund the project.

- Jay makes a motion that we spend the \$280 to buy a tracker, seconded by Dave, NOAXE. Motion passed, we will buy a tracker.

VI. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by Jay and seconded by Mike (WQP). **Josh Cruse, KA7JUN** adjourned the meeting at **2039**.