

The Casper Amateur Radio Club – W7NVJ

August 3, 2011

I. Call to order

The CARC Secretary, Paul Long, K7RXC, called to order the monthly business meeting of the Casper Amateur Radio Club at 1900 MDT on August 3, 2011 at the Natrona County Emergency Operations Center.

II. Attendance Roster

The following persons were present. Note: Asterisk indicates an associate member or a visitor. Per club by-laws meetings are open to the public, but only full members in good standing are allowed to vote on club business.

Paul – K7RXC, Secretary
Bruce – KF7CFY, Treasurer
Mike – AE7EC
Mike – KE7WQP
Shawn – KF7OPS
Ben – KF7LFN
Chuck – KF7GNB
Shawn – N7RRB
Chuck – KC6OUZ*
Priscilla*

III. Minutes from the last meeting

CARC Secretary, Paul, K7RXC, read the minutes from the last meeting. Shawn, N7RRB, made the motion for the club to accept the minutes as read. Chuck, KF7GNB, seconded the motion and the club passed it unanimously.

IV. Old Business

Pony Express Re-ride

According to Bruce, KF7CFY, the Pony Express re-ride will be in Casper on August 20, 2011. All amateurs in the club are invited to participate on an individual basis.

Field Day 2011

Paul, K7RXC, stated that he did not submit the logs for field day as he felt the club violated a rule, concerning category parameters. There was some discussion as to the reading of the rule, but the matter stood as stated. Paul stated that Bruce, KF7CFY, had possession of the logs for archive purposes.

Wyoming Medical Center Project

Shawn, N7RRB, stated that the .28 repeater was installed in the service space of the hospital on August 13, 2011. Kudos to Shawn and Tate, KA7O, were given by the club for their hard work and dedication to the completion of the relocation. There was some discussion concerning a problem with the auto patch portion of the machine. Shawn assured the club that problem would soon be resolved.

Letter of acknowledgement

The letter of acknowledgement is still tabled, but Mike, AE7EC, stated that his part of the project was completed. Paul, K7RXC, acknowledged and concurred on that statement.

Digital capability of W7VNJ

This project is still being investigated.

Modification of the honorary members' portion of the CARC by-laws

Mike, KE7WQP, made a motion the club accept the by-law as written. No one seconded the motion. Paul, K7RXC, stated the different options to modifying the by-law, which were: 1. Keep it as written; 2. Vote the different stipulations suggested by the membership; or 3. Vote to strike voting privileges to all honorary members of the club. There was spirited discussion concerning this modification. Mike, AE7EC, suggested an accolade honorary membership to the club. Bruce, KF7CFY, moved to modify the motion to tabling the vote until the President and Vice-President were present. Mike, AE7EC, seconded the motion and the club unanimously voted to table the matter until a future business meeting.

V. New business

Membership period

Chuck, KC6OUZ, stated a desire to become a member of the club. Paul, K7RXC, stated that the membership enrollment is presently closed. Chuck thought this a stupid limitation. Bruce, KF7CFY, told Chuck that even though he wasn't a full member he was invited to participate in the club.

RACES

Mike, KE7WQP, stated the club needed to consider its mobile emergency capabilities. Paul, K7RXC, stated that this concern would be forwarded to the board.

.28 machine

Mike, KE7WQP, asked the members if they had noticed the .28 machine transmitting erroneously. The membership stated that it had. A discussion followed, but no concrete suggestion was made to resolve the problem. Shawn, N7RRB, suggested a tone change, but no definite avenue of solution was presently made.

VI. Adjournment

As there was no further business for the club, Mike, KE7WQP, moved that the meeting adjourn. Chuck, KF7GNB, seconded the motion and the club voted to adjourn at 2012 MDT.