

January 3rd, 2018 Casper Amateur Radio Club Minutes

The meeting was brought to order by club president Frank, WY0WDR at 7:00 PM (19:00 hours).

Members present were:

Shawn-N7RRB

Lee-AE7SF

Mary Lynn-KF7ZKV

Dwight-AE7YA

Michael-KE7WQP

Gary-WY7ET

Mike-AE7EC

Kevin-WY7KEV

Mel-KJ7KK

Joe-KI7LDL

Hope-KI7LDM

Tate-KA7O

Lou-KF7BLV (Late Arrival)

Reading of the old minutes:

There was no minutes from the December 6th, 2017 meeting available at the time.

Old Business:

Election Results: Frank is president, Dwight is treasurer, and Mike-WQP is secretary.

Activity Meeting:

The activity meeting for December was held at the Village Inn downtown instead of the old board room at WMC. We ate and enjoyed each others company. During this time Frank brought up the idea of doing a group text to everybody's phones so everyone knows what is going on. Tate thought it wasn't a good idea since there are so many other options out there, like the Sunday night net and the email reflector just to name a few. Mike-EC brought up the idea of setting up a repeater to say what is going on every hour like the Cheyenne club does. Tate said that was a bad idea as we have done that in the past and received numerous complaints about it. It was also talked about how to get set up on the reflector. After further discussion it was decided not to do the group text.

New Business:

.940 repeater link: Tate brought up the email that was sent out involving the link between Copper Mountain and Casper Mountain. It was pointed out that either the link, or the .805 is down. Frank said the owner of the site is turning it on and off as needed.

Dwight pointed out that someone who was doing the net was going through another repeater to do the net.

Activity Meeting:

Lou asked what we are planning for this month's activity meeting. Lee thought Tate and Shawn were going to be going over repeaters. It was discovered nothing had been planned. After some discussion, it was decided Frank will bring his Tac Box he has been making in. Joe also talked about something he had with a Motorola XTL 50 watt radio on a car plug in. Tate and Shawn will be going over repeaters in February. Both meetings will be held at the old board room at WMC. Joe also gave an update on the Kenwood TS-950 that we had sent out. He wanted to do an activity meeting to show everyone how to use it, because all the button pushing had messed it up. It was decided to have the March 21st activity meeting at Joe's house. The address is 2159 Sunflower in Paradise Valley at 7:00 PM.

Dwight brought up that he is missing a radio. It will have Mary Lynn's call sign under the battery case. He is not sure where he lost it, but he knows he had it 2 weeks ago. He has not checked with the pawn shops yet, but was going to when he had time. A police report is on file for it.

Kevin brought in a QSL card that Fort Caspar had received that was addressed to W7Y for the 150th anniversary of the fort and the battle that killed Caspar Collins. After further checking, it was discovered that the QSL card was supposed to go to Riverton for SKYWARN Recognition Day. Frank will get in contact with someone from Riverton to get them the card.

Winter Field day is the 27th and 28th of January. Kevin was made the chairman. Kevin talked about cost, rules, and ideas for power. There was also talk of where to hold it. Kevin said he would like to hold it at his house. A budget of \$125 was motioned by Lou, seconded by Joe. Motion Carried.

Mike asked about the incorporation of the club. There has been no change.

Motion was made by Tate to adjourn, seconded by Mel. Meeting was adjourned at 7:52 PM (19:52 hours)