

March 7th, 2018 Casper Amateur Radio Club Minutes

Frank Called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

Introductions:

Lou-KF7BLV

Kevin-WY7KEV

Frank-WY0WDR

Shawn-N7RRB

Charles-N7RQW

Dwight-AE7YA

Mary Lynn-KF7ZKV

Peter-N7TDJ

Mel-KJ7KK

Tate-KA7O

Michael-KE7WQP

Gene-KN4AUJ

Steve-N7BZZ

Minutes for the February 7th, 2018 meeting were read. Tate moved to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Pete. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Insurance is paid.

501c4

There was discussion on what tax status the club would be, as no one was 100% sure what had been decided in the past. After some discussion, Mary Lynn thought it would be a good idea to vote on it so there would be no more confusion. Tate moved for the club to pursue a 501c4 status for the club, seconded by Pete. Motion carried.

Kevin will talk to his attorney to see if he is still interested in being the agent for the club.

Winter Field Day

Kevin informed us that he either misplaced a receipt, or had a problem in adding everything, but the correct amount was \$118.15. The amount of just over \$70 was incorrect. The budget was set at \$125. Tate asked if he had been partially paid already. He had not. Everything will be taken care of.

SOTA

Frank asked to have a date set. Lou said he will set a date, since he volunteered for it. Kevin suggested Lou come back next month with some dates picked out for us to choose from. Pete asked if this was going to just be us, or if Riverton is going to participate also. Frank stated it was going to be just us, but we can invite others. Frank asked about us calling to make sure there won't be a problem with us being there. He also asked about contacting the person that has deeded land in the area, to make sure it's okay. Tate said the area is public access, so we don't need permission, as long as we stay out of the buildings. Also, as long as we are respectful, the person with deeded land has no problem with people using the road. Frank stated that as a courtesy, contacting the groups or companies and seeing if they have anything they need removed from the mountain. There was also talk about access to the site. Lou said he will start reaching out to see what other people think and take everything into consideration.

Activity Meeting

Mike-WQP wanted to remind everyone that the activity meeting will be held at 2159 Sunflower Street in Paradise Valley, Casper. Joe-KI7LDL will be doing the activity meeting this month. Frank will call to remind him and make sure we are still good. Frank will let everyone know via the email reflector.

New Business

Email Reflector

Tate asked is everyone was okay about getting emails on the reflector about weekly HF activity. Tate also asked who was doing it. It was discovered it was someone from Cheyenne. After some discussion, it was decided to leave it for now. If it gets to the point where it bothers folks, it will be stopped.

DR1X Firmware Update

Shawn brought up that Yaesu has a deal going on right now where you can send in a DR1X repeater and get the latest firmware, to support System Fusion version 2. It's free, all we have to cover is the cost of shipping. We will have to move repeaters around. We have a repeater in a box currently, so that one will go in first, then we will rotate them out from there. Everyone was okay with sending the repeaters back to get the firmware updated.

Live Streaming Our Meetings

Shawn also asked about live streaming our meetings. After some discussion, it was decided we would not stream our meetings. We may start recording at some point, but as of right now we will not.

Saturday Morning Breakfast

Shawn asked about doing the Saturday breakfasts once a month, the Saturday after our business meetings. Pete said it was a good idea because people always ask about the minutes and what was talked about. Tate said if anyone is not getting the minutes, or the emails and wants them, to let him know so he can fix it.

Solar Modules

Kevin brought in a solar module to show and see if anyone would like some. They are 10 watts, and Kevin believes they are about \$18 per panel. Kevin's son has a bunch, and is trying to get rid of them. Some folks picked up what Kevin had, and would be getting more.

Switching Power Supplies

Frank talked about Tate giving away a bunch of power supplies from computers. If anyone wanted one, let Frank know and he will get you one. Whatever doesn't go out, will go to the Sea-Can. Tate also added we can do an activity meeting, showing how to set them up for desk top use.

Wyoming Amateur Monitoring Enthusiasts (WYAME)

Frank said they were to have a meeting at the Wind River Casino at noon on Saturday, March 10, and that he was going to go. Anyone that would like to go, can. Frank also said there will be vendors there also.

There being no further business, Mike-WQP moved to adjourn, Seconded by Tate.
Motion Carried.

Meeting closed at 7:48 PM.