

2019-12-4 ACS MEETING MINUTES at 7:00pm

ACS Officers:

President: Carl Gray K7ECW
Vise President: Ray Blanke KC7MRM (Absent)
Treasure: Ralph Roggenback N2RJR
Secretary: M. Rick Ouzts WA7NWN
Trustee: Randy Greeley NU7D

A meeting agenda was passed out.

The meeting was called to order and Pres. Carl K7ECW, led the flag pledge.

Welcomed Darin Enyeart, KJ7IOD, to the meeting.

Officers Reports:

Treasurer, Ralph, reported on the bank account.

Old Business:

The last Meeting's Minutes have been posted on the web site. A motion was made to accept them. The motion was seconded, voted on and approved.

Activity Critiques:

- 1) UAS Training: Had drone practices, flying by a traffic island under trees.
- 2) LEPC Meeting: Meets quarterly with businesses and agencies. Discuss what to do in an emergency, such as a chemical release, etc.
- 3) ELT Practice: Only four people showed up, so we visited and cancelled the practice.
- 4) Region IV Working Group Meeting: The meeting was in Ridgefield. Emergency managers from the area attended. All the managers had something good to say about Hams. Wahkiakum Emergency Manager said their Hams came in second in the nation for Field Day running on batteries and solar panels. Discussion about a Region IV Emergency Worker Card for the four counties.
- 5) 5th Saturday Comm Exercise. Had a good training exercise and 10 people checked in.

New Business:

Promoting Ham Radio, how are we doing this? What else can we do, as Hams, to grow amateur radio interest in our area? Jeff, KB7PMO, is doing a licensing class, it is listed on the web page. We could carry our HT's in our pockets to help start conversations. We need to get more people involved in spreading the word, like we did at the Home Depot event. Ralph asked about having the Boy Scouts come up here.

Discussion about the Walk-N-Knock event we have coming up this weekend. Connie KB7AYY has the location assignment list and will be sharing it in the couple of days.

Upcoming Activities:

- 1) 12-5 River Gauge Checks. Work needs to be done on the Lexington gauge.
- 2) 12-7 Walk-N-Knock. Connie would like to have everyone at their locations around 9:30am. The food drive should start at 10:00am to about 2:00pm.
- 3) 12-9 Hospital and Clinics Communications Exercise. The exercise will be at 10:00am. Messages to the DEM from the Hospital and the Family Health Center. Discussion on using digital data but we need to upgrade computers.
- 4) 12-10 Comm Van Checks. Ray and Jeff did Comm Van checks. They have installed the blackout curtains and they work great.

Team Projects:

- 1) Next ELT practice will be on March 14, 2020.
- 2) UAS: Live streaming is being worked on. There are several things to be worked out. We are practicing low level evidence searches. We need to practice using some of the apps we have downloaded.
- 3) Connie said Randy got an Email about a Cowlitz County Sheriff's Office Awards Banquet on January 18th for county volunteers. They need to know who wants to attend.
- 4) To have things put on the web page contact Wally WM7U.

Good of Order:

- 1) Next ACS meeting is on Jan 1; do we want to have it on that day? Voted to cancel the January meeting.
- 2) Randy suggested a possible fund raiser by doing a 50/50 pot on bowl football games. We talked about it some.
- 3) Jeff has a list for Yeasu digital repeaters in WA and OR if anyone wants one.
- 4) Discussed items that can and cannot be posted on the FaceBook pages.
- 5) Motion to adjourn was made and seconded. Adjourned at 8:08pm.
- 6) There will be Christmas Nativity events at the LDS church on 11th Ave on the weekend (12/7 & 12/8)
- 7) Remember the LCARA Christmas Dinner on December 14.