

## 03/04/2020 Cowlitz County ACS Meeting Minutes

President	Carl Gray	K7ECW
Vice Pres.	Ray Blanke	KC7MRM
Secretary	M. Rick Ouzts	WA7NWN
Treasurer	Ralph Roggenback	N2RJR
Trustee	Randy Greeley	NU7D

The President called the meeting to order at 1900 and lead the pledge of allegiance.

### Officer Reports:

No officer reports.

Treasurer Ralph was not present.

### Old Business:

Meeting minutes for February are posed on the ACS webpage. A motion was made by Randy NU7D and seconded by Butch AE7KJ to approve the February meeting minutes.

### Items Critiqued:

1. 02/08 – Quarterly UAS Meeting was held at LCARA. Team members discussed new & ongoing missions and live streaming.
2. 02/11 – LEPC Meeting. Randy NU7D attended the meeting. Members attending voted on updated Bylaw changes and agencies gave an activities report.
3. 02/12 – Butch AE7KJ and Randy NU7D attended the Cowlitz County SAR Council meeting. Butch reported the council officers remained the same except the council chair & co-chair changed positions.
4. 02/18 – At the UAS Training at Willow Grove Park Ralph N2RJR spotted Teri flying her UAS and invited her to fly with the Team. After talking with her, the team learned she works for the FAA. Team members present had a great time visiting with her.
5. 02/20 – WECCWG meeting at Camp Murray. Randy NU7D and Lori & Larry from Cowlitz County Emergency Management attended the meeting. Most of the meeting was cell carriers sharing info on what they could bring and how they help during emergencies. Verizon spoke on their 5 G technology which was very interesting but does nothing for rural counties.
6. 02/26 – UAS Team met at Willow Grove Park for training. Four team members & Lucy were present.
7. 02/29 – 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday EOC to EOC Communication Exercise – Randy NU7D reported we did not actually participate in the exercise, because of the club work party activities, but did contact Camp Murray prior the exercise on 6 Meters.
8. 03/03 – Quarterly river gauge checks. Randy NU7D & Connie KB7AYY performed the checks noting the voltage reading on the Kalama gauge was 6.34 volts. The solar panel keeping the voltage up really helped.  
Randy took cell pictures of the voltage, the gauge and surrounding area.
9. Watch for training and Ham activities on the Cowlitz County Weekly Ham Activities email.

### New Business:

The Coronavirus or COVID-19 is worldwide and 10 people in Washington State have died with many more infected Ray KC7MRM reports. The Washington State Governor, Jay Inslee, has declared a State of Emergency for the State for the COVID-19. Washing your hands often and not touching your face will you a lot. Cleaning surfaces with Clorox will also help. – LCARA has cancelled the March 1-5 Southbound coffee stop. There will a discussion at the next LCARA Business Meeting to decide on April coffee stop.

### Upcoming Activities

1. 03/14 – ELT Practice. Meet at LCARA at0930
2. 03/24 – Mike Ritz, W7VO the NW Division Manager is attending the Wahkiakum County ACS Meeting to give ARRL updates and a presentation. LCARA & Cowlitz ACS members are welcome to attend.
3. Wahkiakum County ACS asked if Cowlitz County would be interested in participating in a SET exercise with them and possibly Pacific County. The exercise would take place late Summer or early Fall based on SR-4.
4. Randy said, he would like to get the Winlink stations at LCARA and in the Comm-Van back operational again prior to the Wahkiakum SET and the next Region IV EOC to EOC Exercise.
5. 03/06 – This Friday, the UAS Team was invited to participate in a Woodland High School/Middle School evacuation/reunification exercise. People who wanting to attend, meet at the Hall of Justice at 0800 so we can be ready to fly at 0900.

6. Ray KC7MRM said he would be adding the "Inverter Test" to the Comm-Van's maintenance check list.

**Team Projects:**

1. River Gauges: The next checks are scheduled for 06/02.
2. ELT Practice: The next training is scheduled on 03/14.
3. Comm-Van: Ray KC7MRM and Jeff KB7PMO did the monthly checks on 03/02.
4. UAS Team: Woodland School Exercise, make sure apps are updated and batteries are charged. Resume the normal and required training missions. Continue working on missions that need to be completed.
5. Webpages: Contact Wally WM7U if you have anything to add to the LCARA or ACS webpages.

**Good of Order:**

1. It's a busy world out there. Please stay safe during your journeys.
2. Ray KC7MRM said California has declared State of Emergency. They also have a cruise ship offshore with people that have the Coronavirus.
3. Pets can't get the Coronavirus, but they can spread the virus.
4. Jeff KB7PMO mentioned the Cowlitz County Sheriff's Office has been conducting a search using their UAS's.

**Adjourn:**

Motion to adjourn made by Jeff KB7PMO and seconded by Butch AE7KJ at 1944.  
Attendance from sign-in list: 15.