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Cowlitz County Auxiliary Communications Service (ACS) Minutes of Monthly Meeting Wednesday 4 August 2021

Call to Order: 1900

Officers Report

President: Carl (K7ECW): None

Vice Pres: Ray (KC7MRM): Absent

Secretary: Jeff (KJ6ETR): None
Treasurer: Ralph (N2RJR): [Redacted]
Trustee: Randy (NU7D): None.

Attendance

Butch (AE7KJ), Carl (K7ECW), Charles (AD7UF), Connie (KB7AYY), Earl (N3EG), Ed (K7WCT), Jared (K7BOA), Jeff (KB7PMO), Jeff (KJ6ETR), John (KI7BXF), Linda (ACS), Lloyd (W7KDG), Matt (K7BBJ), Ralph (N2RJR), Randy (NU7D), Rick (WA7RPM), Steve (KN7SLR), Stuart (K7WF) and Terry (KB7IFR)

Old Business

Approved the July minutes.

IRS denied LCARA's application for the 501(c)(3), due to conflicting information we provided on the EZ form. Money will be refunded. We need to reapply with the long form.

Kalama river gauge was replaced by the Kalama fire department. We have not received our equipment back. Assumed the equipment is gone. We are out of the river gauge business for now.

Randy has the quarterly equipment check list if anyone wants to see it.

Animal intake for the county fair. No major issues. Only issue was that the fair officials didn't disclose all the information the gate keepers needed. Attendees enjoyed the pizza feed. 7 total from radio group.

National Night Out: Good spot in Kelso at Tam O'Shanter park. Good turnout. Recommended supplies – duct tape, smaller drones, sufficient business cards (6 people showed interest), updated handouts

and sign-up sheets, so we can follow-up with interested individuals.

New Business

. Radio exercise: We need training. Randy would like someone to pick up training lead, ideas? 28 August or 25 September.

New State RACES plan: The old plan still on the ACS website. Randy NU7D contacted Scott Drakers concerning the State ICS 205 form. Scott said it wasn't complete at this time. We need to update the Cowlitz County RACES plan.

Purchaces: New ELT equipment arrived. Need to be tested. Ordered ICOM 7300 for club house (makes 3). Using matching COVID funds (county \$20,000) getting 2nd ICOM 7300 for the Comm van and 15, 1000 channel SAR radios. (Day wireless will stop our current SAR radios.) Looking at more repeaters for field use. Looking at single power supply to run all radios at the club house.

Elections: Coming up quick. Looking for officers.

Good of the Order: Recommended an easy-to-use autotuner for HF on the Comm van.

Insurance needs to be updated to reflect the new equipment being

purchased.

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Meetings at the club and/or remote? Will keep ACS meetings on ZOOM for now.

Adjourned: 1952 Respectfully submitted, Jeff (KJ6ETR) Secretary