



Cowlitz County Auxiliary Communications Service (ACS)
 Minutes of the Monthly Meeting Wednesday 1 May 2024

Attendance

Butch - AE7KJ	Don - KB7ZWL	Earl - N3EG	Glen - N7UIG
Jeff - KJ6ETR	Masen - KF7HVM	Ralph - N2RJR	Steve - K7KO
Tammy - 168	Steve - KN7SLR	Mike – KI7MPV	Rick – WA7NWN
Rick - WA7RPM	Jeff - KB7PMO	Ray - KC7MRM	Stan - KF7CVR

Call to Order: 1900

Correspondence

- *None*

Officers Report

- *President: Butch (AE7KJ) We need help with the Monday night net. If you would like to be net control please contact Mason (KF7HVM).*
- *Vice Pres: Rick (WA7NWN) None*
- *Secretary: Jeff (KJ6ETR) None*
- *Treasurer: Ralph (N2RJR) We have received grants for various items and projects.*
- *Trustee: Butch (AE7KJ) None*

Old Business

There was no April ACS meeting.

SAR team is still looking into qualifying first aid and CPR instructors.

Continuing with in-house meetings unless bad weather conditions require a Zoom meeting.

Cowlitz response exercise at DEM. The National Guard brought their communications team. They had to set up within a time limit. This exercise was mostly a table top exercise. The National Guard unit may bring their full communications team next time and practice communications.

Reimbursed us for the lost drone. Received the price of a new drone.

Active list and exercise plan still being worked on. Any participation welcome.

Ryderwood is on the net. Eugene (AF7JM) checked in.

Held a discussion about ELT training.

New Business

We have a new Risk Manager. He is looking into driver safety and first aid/CPR training for volunteers.

Our primary drone pilot, Bill (KB7CZ), has moved. Butch (AE7KJ) and Ralph (N2RJR) are studying for their FAA drone license. The county has a drone mission for us. Don (KB7ZWL) has a drone license and has volunteered to help support the mission. We need additional licensed drone pilots.

Grants for ELT receivers, drones and a new generator have come through.

Events: Tour-de-Blast – June 22
 Field Day – June 22-23
 Fair grounds live stock move – July 23
 Mock search planning meeting – May 8
 Mock search – September 14

For the Good of the Order

Jeff (KB7PMO) suggested getting a digital repeater and radios for the CommVan.

Adjourned: 1955

Respectfully submitted,
Jeff (KJ6ETR)
Secretary