

Cowlitz County Auxiliary Communications Service (ACS)
Minutes of the Monthly Meeting – Wednesday 6, November 2024

Attendance

Brian – KJ7OX
Rick – WA7NWN
Glen – N7UIG
Sherrie – KF7YPD

Ralph – N2RJR
Butch – AE7KJ
Masen – KF7HVM
Steve – KN7SLR

Connie – KB7AYY
Stan – KF7CVR
Rick – W7RWA
Tammy – Non-HAM

Call to order

1900 Hours

Correspondence

None

Last Month's Minutes

November's minutes read and approved, 1st & 2nd motions made by Stan (KF7CVR) and Connie (KB7AYY)

Officer's Report

- <i>President:</i>	Butch (AE7KJ)	None and presiding
- <i>Vice Pres:</i>	Rick (WA7NWN)	None
- <i>Secretary:</i>	Jeff (KJ6ETR)	Not present (ill)
- <i>Treasurer:</i>	Ralph (N2RJR)	Account has money
- <i>Trustee:</i>	Butch (AE7KJ)	None
- <i>LCARA:</i>	Ralph (N2RJR) (Pres.)	14 December Xmas potluck, 1800Hrs @ RIZAD Complex 1800 Western Lane, Kelso WA 98626. Dues may be paid. Please bring exact change. Cash or check accepted, forms will be available. White Elephant exchange one (1) gift per member.

Old Business

- Kudos to Brian (KJ7OX) For the hard work of installing and tuning the ACS radio & antenna for the CEMNET system. During exercises/emergencies, we now have the capability to talk to Camp David.

New Business

- The 911 station for ACS, located inside the 911 Center on Ocean Beach Road, is now fully functional. Our locations are also up and running. We now have 5 stations; Cowlitz DEM, St. John 's Hospital, Cowlitz 911 Center, ACS console at LCARA, and the mobile Communications Van. A sign-up sheet has been created for those interested in becoming trained to operate at these positions.

- The ACS Radio station inside the County DEM is going to move to another office space during 2025. The new office has over twice the space of our current area and will provide the privacy we have never enjoyed.

- We monitor weather conditions, if it is advisable to not to come to the club for a scheduled meeting, a

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notice will be emailed to all members informing them that the meeting will be held via ZOOM, along with the necessary link to log in. So, if you **DO NOT** receive an email, the meeting will be at the clubhouse.

For the Good of the Order

- Butch (AE7KJ) shared a couple of video clips demonstrating the usefulness of HAMS during emergencies.
- Rick (WA7NWN) shared information regarding the upcoming Winter Field Day. It is on January 25 & 26. Winter Field is much like Summer Field Day, in that an operator may be on the air from a location of their own choice. For more information, google "Winter Field Day".

Adjourned:

1945 Hours. 1st& 2nd motions made by Rick (WA7NWN) and Stan (KF7CVR)

Respectively submitted,
Ralph (N2RJR)
Treasurer