

JUNEAU AMATEUR RADIO CLUB MEETING MINUTES

2/7/18

The February 7, 2018 regular meeting of the Juneau Amateur Radio Club was called to order by President Destiny Sargeant, KL4FQ at 7:00 P.M.

Attendance: Scott Novak, KL3JM; Rick Pearson, KL7PHB; Dave Bruce, WL7BKA; Joe Johnson, KL2ZS; Destiny Sargeant, KL4FQ; Sam Smith, KLØQZ; Ernie Mueller, KL2UH; Russell Strandtmann, KL7HAO; Larry Walter, KL7IWC; Ivan Hazelton, NL5E; Rob Breffeilh.

Minutes: The Minutes of the December 6, 2017 Regular Meeting and the continuation of that meeting and Annual Meeting of January 13, 2018 were approved as distributed.

Membership Report: Membership Chair Dave Bruce reported the current membership at 52 paid for 2018. It appears that several members have dropped.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Scott Novak submitted the following report:

The current balance of our general checking account is \$8,771.40

Deposits for the last 2 months were \$1,493.00.00 in dues, \$25.00 in book sales, \$1,321.25 in donations and 63 cents in bank dividends. A \$1,000 donation was made by Anselm Staack and \$316 in donations came from equipment sales at the banquet.

Expenses for the last 2 months were annual banquet food at \$410.00, hall rent \$135.00 and annual web site fees \$225.84.

The current balance of our gaming account is \$79.56 with \$73.00 earned from the 50/50 raffle at the annual banquet.

VHF Report: The Mt. Roberts repeater problem has been solved and it is back on the linked network.

Special Projects Report:

All five students that attended the Amateur Extra license course passed the examination.

A group led by Ivan Hazelton, NL5E, is assembling Pixie low-power Transceivers on alternate Saturdays from 12:00 Noon to 2:00 P.M. at the NWS conference room. The group will assemble the radios first, and then work on modifications, anyone interested in participating should contact Ivan.

VE Report: All the new Amateur Extra licensees signed up to be Volunteer Examiners.

Emergency Communications/ARES Report: It was reported that the Tuesday, February 6, 2018 Northern Southeast Alaska ARES check-in went well. ARRL is studying ARES on a national level and will require that all ARES groups affiliate with ARRL.

Old Business: Repair of the feed line for the Club station at the NWS Forecast awaits better weather, as does the repair of the tower trailer antenna wiring and/or connections. There is still an issue concerning whether or not it is practical to cover the tower trailer in winter.

New Business: Scott Novak displayed a safety vest with adequate pockets to carry a handheld radio. These may be able to be imprinted with the club name. Those who were interested in purchasing a vest signed up and anyone who might be interested but did not attend the meeting should contact Scott. Larry Walter mentioned that ARRL sells ARES vests and moved that the Club purchase eight of those vest and that \$250 be appropriated for this expense. Rick Pearson seconded the motion, it passed without objection.

The matter of potentially moving the regular meeting day as discussed; no action was taken.

President Sargeant proposed that the regular meetings be restricted to approximately 45 minutes; after the business portion is concluded a Club member or invited speaker/presenter would make a presentation on a topic of interest to the Club membership. There was some discussion about particular topics and presenters.

There being no further business to come before the Club, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ernie Mueller, KL2UH,
Secretary
Juneau Amateur Radio Club

The next meeting of the Juneau Amateur Radio Club will be Wednesday, March 7, 2018, 7:00 P.M., National Weather Service Forecast Office, 8500 Mendenhall Loop Road, Juneau.