

# January LCARA Business Meeting

## Minutes of Record

### Held

Wednesday, January, 18 2022, at 1859 hours in person at the clubhouse. Ralph N2RJR led the group in the flag salute.

### In Attendance

- Ralph, N2RJR (President, and conducting)
- Glen, N7UIG (Treasurer)
- Kevin, KC6FLG (Trustee)
- Butch, AE7KJ (Vice President)
- Rick, WA7RPM
- Rick, WA7NWN
- Masen, KF7HVM (Secretary)
- Earl, N3EG
- Steve, K7KO
- Mike, KI7MVP
- Matt, KD7BBJ
- Rob, WA7ROB
- Skip, WB4DAD
- Stan, KF7CVR
- Steve, K7KO
- Llolyd, W7KDG
- Brian, KJ7OX
- Steve, KN7SLR and Tammy
- Talea, KF7CZA
- Harry, WA7HH
- Dwight, KF7WI
- George
- Allison, KK7GJP

### Correspondence

Glen, N7UIG. Several membership applications and donations

### Officer Reports

#### President Ralph, N2RJR

No Report

#### Vice President Butch, AE7KJ

Not present

#### Treasurer Glen, N7UIG

See detailed report.

Note: high water usage last month.

\$2976 remaining for the year.

#### Secretary: Masen, KF7HVM

No Report

#### LCARA Trustee: Kevin, KC6FLG

No Report.

#### ACS Trustee: Butch AE7KJ

- Tuesday CEMNET, had a visitor last week David Feldman
  - Current backup 911 is at the admin building

- After the new 911 center goes in the backup will become the EoC
- Backup site at the hospital is 100% up and running.

## OLD Business

1. Minutes of the Nov 16th, 2022, meeting have been posted to the website. No corrections or additions were necessary.
  - a) A motion to accept the minutes was made by KF7CVR, Seconded by AE7KJ. Motion passed with 2 dissent.
2. Donations always welcome for the groundskeeping (starting February?)
  - a) Coffee can by the fridge at LCARA clubhouse
3. Coffee Stops: WA State has strong restrictions that make it difficult for groups to participate (open since May 2022)
4. What does the club want?
  - a) Contesting
    1. Bringing other clubs in (WA7RPM)
    2. This Saturday 2023/01/21 will be the VHF contest
  - b) Field day
  - c) POTA
5. Woodland Repeater: Moved a table and a cabinet to make space. Repeater will stay where it is, fire chief wants it there!
6. Christmas Potluck (families welcome): everyone there seemed to have a good time
7. Rainier site: Agreement between ACS and NW7RA is drafted and ready. Just needs to be finalized. The site will be run and managed by ACS.

## New Business

1. Kevin KC6FLG field day Committee
  - a) Haven't done field day in the field for years.
  - b) Who is interested in planning: Lloyd, Allison, Steve, Ryan, Masen, Mike AB7HA (?), Dwight KF7HI
  - c) Finding a good site
    - i. Kevin suggests Cowlitz County Event Center, but wants to get a good deal on it.
  - d) Making a solid plan for the station, what antenna, equipment, and modes will be used.
    - i. Antennas: 160m; EF 80m/40m; Small portable Yagi 20m/15m/10m
    - ii. 2 HF radios to switch
    - iii. VHF/UHF station
    - iv. + possible separate radio for 6m
  - e) Tentatively set to meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday at 1900 as part of the Technical Committee meeting.
  - f) GOTA station, QRP, simple
2. Paying for the web page
  - a) Webmaster (Wally Merrin) emailed Ralph and Butch informing that the website has been renewed.
  - b) Currently the website is not on the draft budget, but needs to be discussed
  - c) Butch suggests splitting the bill between LCARA and ACS
  - d) Ralph proposes that ACS pay the bill up front and sort out the details later
3. KC6FLG, as the trustee: the former engineer for bicoastal media has resigned, leaving a communication gap between the club and our landlords.
  - a) Kevin plans to meet the general manager for Bicoastal Media
  - b) Maintenance committee should plan to paint the buildings and perform other improvements and then make sure Bicoastal is aware of what the club is doing.
  - c) Ralph: if there is an emergency with the Bicoastal station, CALL DOUG! Phone number on whiteboard below the TV.
  - d) Kevin suggests that we should also have the station manager / office contact at the clubhouse as well.
4. Spring Cleaning
5. Allison: What is the radio club all about?
  - a) Brainstorm from members what they like about the club, what it means to them.
  - b) Use this to try attracting new members
6. Ralph N2RJR: before Covid, we always had a 50/50 raffle at business meetings
  - a) If someone wanted to take that on, we have the tickets and lottery machine
  - b) This could be a good, small fundraiser each month.
7. KD7BBJ: did most of the landscaping last year and got burned out.
  - a) Matt doesn't want landscaping to be his thing that he gets help with, it should be something shared among the club.
  - b) Mowing the grass takes ~5 hours.
  - c) Picking up sticks and debris from the trees, take them to burn piles at the corners of the property.
  - d) KF7HVM: we need a more official maintenance committee; determine projects, days, make sure this is well communicated.
  - e) KD7BBJ: maintenance plans

## **Good of the Order**

Tammy: suggest online donations and dues

## **Adjourn**

A motion was made by W7KDG seconded by KF7CVR, meeting adjourned at 2007 hours.

Respectfully submitted,  
Masen Furer, KF7HVM  
LCARA Secretary

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