

April LCARA Business Meeting

Minutes of Record

Held

Wednesday, April, 19 2022, at 1900 hours in person at the clubhouse and on Zoom. 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
- Skip, WB4DAD
- Brian, KJ7OX
- Rick, W7RWA
- Connie, KB7AYY
- Jon, KJ7KMO
- Clayton, AI7QL
- Stu, K7WF
- Matt KD7BBJ
- Alison, KK7GJP
- Dwight, KF7WI
- Jeff, KJ6ETR
- Kie, KD7UQR
- Rob, WA7ROB

Correspondence

None

Officer Reports

President Ralph, N2RJR

Two silent keys in the last week amongst our members and past members. Les Czarnecki; AE7NQ and Terry Reams KB7IFR

Vice President Butch, AE7KJ

No Report

Treasurer Glen, N7UIG

Power \$121.10, Water \$48.86, PO Box \$248.

Income: Dues \$45, General \$40, Pro-rate from previous internet provider \$59.80.

Secretary: Masen, KF7HVM

No Report

LCARA Trustee: Kevin, KC6FLG

No Report.

ACS Trustee: Butch AE7KJ

Apr 29th, WSDOT exercise 9:00-12:00. Remote access to IC-7100 will not be available.

May 6th, Boy Scout Jamboree on the Air (Trojan/CARA)

June 17th, Asked to participate in the tour de blast.

OLD Business

1. Minutes of the Mar 15th, 2023, meeting have been posted to the website. No corrections or additions were necessary.
 - a) A motion to accept the minutes was made by Connie KB7AYY and Seconded by Matt KD7BBJ. Motion passed with 1 dissent.
2. 5th Wednesday Potluck – March 29, 2023
 - a) Went well, good turnout of > 20 members.
3. What to do with the old antenna (4 element beam, 10-15-20)
 - a) KJ7OX: suggest offering it for sale internally to benefit the club (~\$300)
 1. For outside sale consider \$400-\$500
 2. Steve K7KO volunteers to deal with testing and selling the antenna
 - b) KJ7OX: also consider selling the Mosley 33? (\$100), previously used for Field Day
4. Cleaning up Coffee Stop supplies
 - a) Most have been taken / thrown away already
 - b) What is left can be used for the next potluck, members wont need to bring plates or utensils
5. Rick WA7RPM looked at the furnace
 - a) New parts need to be ordered, but it haven't yet been ordered because the actual part needs to be taken in so that we get the correct parts.
6. Remote radio access
 - a) RS-BA1 costs \$150+. Ralph N2RJR suggests buying your own copy of the software, instead of using Kevin's copy.
 - b) Please remember to set the physical antenna switch back to initial position if you use the ACS IC-7300.
7. Antenna for the 147.26
 - a) Kevin needs to sync up with Earl. It's possible that only the jumper needs to be replaced.
 - b) Still waiting for quote from HRO for the Antenna
 - c) Defer additional discussion for the Technical Committee meeting
8. Groundskeeping update
 - a) Old lawnmower is basically end-of-life. KD7BBJ has offered his father's lawnmower for sale, which is on loan to the club. *[Edit: this incorrectly noted that the club had purchased the lawn mower already]*
9. Field Day Committee (Alison):
 - a) Some different venues have been investigated
 1. Kidd Valley (all booked)
 2. Streeters
 3. Willow Grove (Dwight has reserved the pavilion)
 1. Dan Bean is interested in our event and may help with advertising and staying overnight if needed.
 2. May be limited in antenna options
 - b) Current consideration: 1 day, early Saturday morning, ending in a barbeque for the club's 75th anniversary.
 - c) Wind might be an issue at Willow Grove, but that's part of the challenge!
 - d) Will NOT be a free-for-all. The committee will set up and run the station, members are encouraged to come by and operate throughout the day.
 - e) Considering bringing the Comm Van out there, Jeff is willing to take it out to the park for field day.
 - f) Motion to proceed: Alison, 2nd: Matt, 3rd Brian KJ7OX. Motion passed.
10. Update on the 145.130 Repeater

- a) Jumpers are in hand, just need to gather a group of people and a nice day to put it back on the hill.
11. Spring Cleanup: Need to schedule work parties
- a) Pressure washing
 - b) How much paint is needed? How will it be applied? Sprayed on will use more paint. Brushes and rollers take more time.
 - 1. Matt KD7BBJ says never to use a sprayer (too dry, flakes off later). Use a roller that can pump paint to avoid back and forth trips.
 - c) Roof has some damage. Wind storms have blown shingles off the roof.
 - d) Alison will make calls and try to find a donation for the paint, by the next business meeting

New Business

12. Stu K7WF offers to train new members interested in learning CW on Fridays at the club.
 - a) Please contact Stu for more information.
13. Hornet's Nest
 - a) Right outside the door, in the ground. Needs to be handled.
 - b) Boiling water? Diesel/gas?
14. 3rd Saturday Operating Day
 - a) Last third Saturday Apr 15, no one came.
 - b) Will take the standing event off of the calendar.
15. 501c3 reserved funds were donated to the club (instead of remaining reserved).
 - a) Ralph is not going to write the paper work and our "short form" already got rejected, so LCARA is subject to further scrutiny.
 - b) Technically LCARA can't justify 501c3, since it is not a public service organization. It exists for the benefit of the membership, not the public.
16. T-mobile service has been intermittent
 - a) Technicians working on the nearby towers have knocked us out recently
17. Icom IC-7610
 - a) Needs to be sent in for repair of touchscreen
 - b) KJ7OX and K7KO were unable to get through to Icom for a repair estimate
 - c) Maybe some more people should try?
18. T-shirt with club logo (WA7NWN)
 - a) Matt KD7BBJ has a contact for creating physical items
 - b) In the past, the club has used Screenprint Northwest and should still have our screen / logo available. Connie KB7AYY could go check. Getting a large order would be the most cost effective.
 - c) KJ7OX: if we're making new shirts, we should consider including something for the 75th anniversary.
19. The club was given some antenna towers, and Rick WA7NWN has the sections at his house.
 - a) Is there some process for loaning / selling these tower pieces?
 - b) Alison KK7GJP makes a motion that we sell the tower. Stu K7WF seconds it.
 - c) Steve K7KO and Kie KD7UQR are interested in the pieces.
 - d) Club is willing to sell, but needs to determine the details and approve it amongst the membership. No decision made.

Good of the Order

None recorded.

Adjourn

A motion was made by Connie KB7AYY and seconded by Brian KJ7OX. Meeting adjourned at 2023 hours with 1 dissent.

Respectfully submitted,
Masen Furer, KF7HVM
LCARA Secretary

Please send suggestions or corrections to kf7hvm@0x26.net

Addendum

- The club has NOT purchased a replacement mower, it is currently on loan.
- Alison KK7GJP is spelled with one "L"