

Jamestown Amateur Radio Club

January 10th, 2023

Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 7:36pm by Club President, Jason Linz.

Attendance: Tom Simpson|ND0TS, David Nelson|WA0TIB, Glenn Hauck|KF0JIY, Matt Schonauer|KF0KND, Stan Koppang|KF0JIS, Michelle Linz|ND0ML, Jason Linz|ND0JL, Jerry Bergquist, Dorreen Eckmann|KA0TXU

Paid Membership Report: At this time there are 11 paid members of JARC.

Approval of October Meeting Minutes: Motion by David, 2nd by Jerry, Motion Carried.

Treasurer's Report:

October 11, 2022 Reported \$2,637.96 There were \$15.00 in dues collected and \$6.00 in bank fees spent, bringing the current balance to: \$2,646.96

Old Business:

- Banner/Signage: Tom will contact Newman's signs and ask about the format that is needed to provide Newman's with the club's proposed design. If Newman's can rasterize and take care of the setup and printing of the banner for \$75.00 or less, Tom will proceed with ordering the banner. Deadline for this is February 28th, 2023.
- Membership Questionnaire Form:
 - Jerry and Michelle worked on creating this form to pass out to members as a bit of a survey.
 - During the meeting, Jan. 10th, it was decided that the form can be revamped to be more detailed on what we are asking. Such as: What type(s) of antennas do you have? Could be interpreted as what brand etc. versus what type, (mobile or base).
 - What type(s) of radio(s) do you own? Instead of Yeasu, Kenwood etc., Handheld, Base or Mobile.
 - We can have this be where the member can elaborate as much as they'd like.
- Membership Application Form was approved in October.
- Club Photo ID's: Jason will look into this.
- Club Equipment Inventory: Jerry and Michelle will be working on this.
- Regular Club Checking Account:
 - Jerry was able to close the old club checking account in December and finalize the move to a new account with Gate City Bank in January 2023.
 - Jerry was able to accomplish this task with the Bylaws, October Meeting Minutes, and a new Federal EIN# that Jason was able to attain.

- The old checking account was set up using a former member's social security number, which we were unable to determine who it was.
- Jerry, Tom and Michelle are signers on the new account. The account is set up for only needing one signature on the checks.
- Jerry was provided with some starter check blanks and the new check blanks are on order.
- Gate City took the old check blanks from the U.S. Bank account and shredded them, and gave the club \$25.00 credit for opening this account.
- The account is an interest bearing account, not a high amount.
- No Minimum Balance and No Fees.
- The old account pulled \$6.00 in fees prior to closing the account. Jerry is reimbursing the club the \$6.00.
- Secretary of State Yearly Renewal Application will be mailed with a check in the amount of \$10.00 to ND Secretary of State on Wednesday, January 11, 2023.

New Business:

- ARES: no new report
- JOTA/JOTI/Scout Radio Merit Badge:
 - Dorreen reported that 15 Merit badges were given out.
 - Bismarck club did JOTA in 2022, however, they did not offer the Radio Merit Badge. We had multiple participants from Bismarck.
 - Fargo Scouts attended in October 2022, with one young man returning after earning his merit badge in 2021, he got to work radio again at this event.
 - Jason and Shawn McClintock|AD0ND, were able to set up two radio stations for kids to participate at.
 - Eric Woodard|KE0IGK, worked with kids on CW and they were able to use the practice keyer to see how CW works.
 - Dorreen reported that she was finally able to post on the Scout's Council webpage about the event for 2022. This is one of the reasons we had more attendance.
 - Overall it seemed like the scouts were attentive and engaged in the learning activities for the Radio Merit Badge. Dorreen was even asked if there was going to be pizza again, which there was.
- Scouts June:
 - Scouts are looking to camp around the Field Day weekend, looking to network with scouts from Bismarck and Jamestown. This could be another opportunity for JARC to network with Scouts.
- Winter Field Day:
 - January 28th & 29th, 2023
 - Jason and Tom are still deciding if they are going to participate in this event, by using the Hambulance.

- Notifications will be sent via email, and some via text message to those not on the radio.

Other Club Business:

- Saturday Morning Coffee Meetups:
 - January 28th, 2023 at Shady's inside the Gladstone Inn, 9am-11am
 - February 18th, 2023 at Shady's inside the Gladstone Inn, 9am-11am
 - March TBD (March 18th is the Running O' the Green)
 - April 1st, 2023 at Shady's inside the Gladstone Inn, 9am-11am
 - May: TBD
 - June 3rd, 2023 at the Viking Room in Valley City, ND, 9am-11am
- Test Sessions:
 - Saturday: April 1st, 2023 at the Lower Level of the Law Enforcement Center Meeting Rooms, starting at 2pm
 - Saturday: June 3rd, 2023 at the Valley City Library,
- Local Repeater Net:
 - Occurring Tuesday Evenings at 6:00pm. 147.180 +
 - Looking to rotate Net Control Operators, Jason will provide the script.
 - Looking to give everyone a chance to have experience with hosting a net.
- Local Simplex Net:
 - Occurring Tuesday Evenings at 6:15pm. 146.520
 - Looking to rotate Net Control Operators, Jason will provide the script.
 - Looking to give everyone a chance to have experience with hosting a net.

Other Business:

- Scouts and JARC: Parkhurst area in June, to work together for scouts to earn their orienteering badge. This could be like a geocache/fox hunt type of event. Jason, Dorreen and Michelle have been discussing this some. Looking to discuss this more in length and try to come up with an action plan. Would be a great opportunity to network together.

Glenn motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:50pm, Tom seconded the motion, meeting adjourned.