

Jamestown Amateur Radio Club

January 9th, 2024

Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order by Jason Linz at 6:30 pm. The meeting was held in the Anton Klaus Meeting Room at The Gladstone Inn & Suites

Attendance: Michelle Linz|ND0ML, Jason Linz|ND0JL, Tom Simpson|ND0TS, Shawn McClintock|AD0ND, Matt Schonauer|KF0KND, David Utke|WA0FXO, David Nelson|WA0TIB, and Jerry Bergquist.

Introductions were made.

Paid Membership Report: As of January 9th, 2024, with dues collected at the beginning of the meeting, there are currently 16 paid members.

Addendums were made to the October 10th, 2023 meeting minutes:

- Under the section of New Business, Under Field Day Report, Tom stated that the Overall Contacts Total was 341.
- Under the section of New Business, Under Repeater Net, Shawn stated that he and Matt assisted Jason as Tech Committee in helping with repeater functions.

Shawn motioned to approve the October 10th, 2023 Meeting Minutes to include the above mentioned addendums. Seconded by Jerry. Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report: \$3007.69 (Includes dues collected at the January 9th, 2024 Meeting.)

Old Business: Nothing to report.

New Business:

Events:

- UJ Block Party
- National Night Out
- JOTA/JOTI
- Rods and Hogs
- Field Day

Discussion included what theme can we work towards for our outreach awareness this year. It was mentioned that we have used "Be Weather Aware", along with being prepared by handing out the Preparedness booklets provided by Stutsman County. Every year we try to have a theme that incorporates Amateur Radio.

What could we hand out at the events, outside of the flyers we already have. We can reach out to ARRL for additional flyers. We can look at having information printed from the National Weather Service.

We could do a drawing for a give away item, such as a weather radio.

We could display what the contents of an emergency kit should include. Visually see it rather than just a list on paper.

Prepping and survival kits, seems to be the thought process for the 2024 theme.

Test Sessions:

Regular start time of 2:00pm.

Location of LEC Meeting Rooms, unless stated otherwise.

- Saturday April 13th, 2024 (11:00am)
- Saturday June 15th, 2024
- Potentially an August, and an October date.
 - Potential other locations outside of LEC/Jamestown.
 - Ellendale: Jason will contact Charlie and see what his feedback is.

Reports:

Breakfast Meetups:

At Shadys inside Gladstone Inn and Suites, Jamestown, 9am-11am, unless otherwise noted.

- January 20th, 2024
- February 17th, 2024
- March 23rd, 2024
- April 13th, 2024
- June 15th, 2024

Notifications will go out via email prior to Breakfast Meetups, or if there is a change in the noted schedule.

Repeater Net:

- 6:30pm Wednesdays

Simplex Net:

- Follows the 6:30pm Repeater Net on Wednesdays.

Repeater Report:

The repeater continues to say “Good morning” when it should say “Good Afternoon” etc. Shawn mentioned that the Repeater Clock Module that we are using, has been known to fail, and can be replaced under warranty.

- Coverage testing: Will the repeater reach Glenfield?

Membership Questionnaire:

Was approved at the June 13th, 2023 meeting, Revision of 6/13/2023.

Winter Field Day:

- January 27th & 28th, 2024
 - Visit winterfieldday.org for Rules, event is not sanctioned by ARRL.

Internet at tower site: Ongoing discussion of pros and cons, feasibility, costs, etc.

General Discussion:

Items for Next Meeting Agenda:

Quotes for printing materials, such as flyers and booklets, general handout items.

Skywarn Class: Date/Time

National Severe Weather Awareness Week

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Hoping to be back at LEC for the April Meeting.

Start times for 2024 meetings will continue to be at 6:30pm.

2024 Meeting Dates:

- April 9th
- June 11th (Election Primary? May have to move the meeting to another date.)
- October 8th

Motion made by Jason to adjourn the meeting. Second by Shawn. Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

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