JARC Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 10th, 2023

Location: Pizza Ranch

Meeting called to order by club president, Jason Linz at 7:00 pm.

Attendance: Warren Tobin, Curt Krovoza, Shawn McClintock, Glenn Hauck, Eric Woodard, Michelle Linz, Jason Linz, Tom Simpson, Jerry Bergquist, Bob Stowell and David Nelson.

Membership Report:

- 20 paid members for 2023
- 9 paid members thus far for 2024

Warren motioned to approve June's Meeting Minutes, Seconded by David Nelson, Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: \$2817.69

Tom motioned to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by Glenn, Motion carried.

Jason Linz on behalf of the club, presented Jerry Bergquist with a Certificate of Appreciation for his 25 years of service as the treasurer, for JARC.

Congratulations to Jerry on his retirement from the office of treasurer.

"This certificate is given to Jerry Bergquist in recognition of his participation and 25 year commitment in his role as treasurer for the Jamestown Amateur Radio Club. Thank you Jerry for your invaluable input over the years."

Elections:

Jason opened the floor for nominations for treasurer.

Jason nominated David Nelson, Seconded by Shawn, unanimous vote for David Nelson as Treasurer.

Congratulations to David Nelson. He will be assuming the position of treasurer in January 2024.

Jason passed the election proceedings to Tom, Vice President, for the nominations for President.

David nominated Jason, Seconded by Shawn, unanimous vote for Jason Linz as President.

Congratulations to Jason, who will continue as JARC President.

Old Business:

 Banner: Looking to revamp the design and have another one printed to fit the height of tables when we display at events. The current banner is a great size for displaying on Jason's Hambulance.

New Business:

- Field Day Report: Very Wet Weekend!
 - Shawn set up a canopy and added tarps around it. With generator power, he worked his station.
 - Jason and Michelle used the Hambulance, using the generator built into the Hambulance, along with the Club's off center fed dipole.
 - o Tom used his RV and his generator.
 - Guests were: David and Sheila Nelson, Ralph Fettig, Jerry Bergquist, Jeff Schrader.
 - Overall contacts were:
- UJ Block Party:
 - Jason and Michelle set up the hambulance on the north side of the block party event as a booth.

Reports:

VE test sessions: 5 test sessions were held in 2023. Four at Jamestown LEC and one was held at the library in Valley City. 21 tests were given.

Shady's Breakfast Meetups:

Participation has varied, with some mornings having more attendance.

Next Breakfast Meetup will be: Saturday, October 14th, 2023 from 9:00am to approximately 10:30am.

Repeater Net:

Jason, as primary net control operator, reported that the repeater nets are going well. The voting system has been fixed, allowing handhelds to have better access to the repeater. Jason noted that he feels the PL Tone in the Baofeng Handheld Radios, appears to not be stable, thus causing some issues for users.

Nets are averaging about 6 participants.

Tom and Shawn have also been net control operators this year.

Simplex Net:

Not quite as strong in number of checkin's, this is due to coverage area. Jason also mentioned the use of variations in net protocol/adapting to needs, listening to net control and passing traffic.

Repeater:

Clock is off. Unknown for certain as to the cause for the time to be off. Speculation is something to do with the generator at the tower site. Perhaps it is overheating and shutting down. The batteries were pulled from the repeater and controller because they have blown multiple times. The repeater does have a charging float system that could be evaluated further. Jason mentioned plugging the controller into a different outlet for better power options.

JOTA:

Saturday, October 21st, 2023 at Gussner Elementary School, beginning at 9:00am.

Motion to start 2024 meetings at 6:30pm on the Second Tuesday of the months of: January, April, June and October. Motion by Shawn, seconded by Eric, Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn meeting, by Shawn, seconded by David, Meeting adjourned at 7:46pm