W7DP Meeting Minutes

7-6-2021

Attendance:

KI5UI George
AL1Q Jeff
N7ACW Timber
WA7LKF Mike
W7HJL Roy
KT7JE Davena
KB7POT Mikel
KC7JIX Dave
N7DMR Kun
KJ7RXZ Devin (remote)
AA7MZ Darrel

K7LW Lynn KI7SJE David

Meeting called to order by President Timber Burton at 1900 with 11 members and 2 visitors present.

Secretary's report:

The minutes from 1 June 2021 were read and accepted.

Treasurer's report:

Keith N7ACW reports that we have \$1049.30 in the bank, \$160.00 in cash, and an outstanding check \$21.26 to Pacific Power for a total of 1230.56.

Building and Grounds:

Dave KCJIX reports that he is watering, but it does not seem to be keeping the grass green.

Repeater Report:

Jeff AL1Q reports that the Lewis Peak repeater is working fine. There was a recent power outage. Jeff talked to the repeater owners and made them aware of the occasional noise problems on the N7LZM repeater system. They will look into it. Probably won't go away as long as the IRL node is active. (Lynn, said that there may be a cure for that by putting a PL delay on the tail.) The new packet radio has not been installed yet. Still researching cables. Dave and Jeff installed a ventilation fan in the repeater shack.

Jeff AL1Q talked about the Lewis Peak Amateur Radio Association. Elections will be held in October, probably during the tail gate.

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Lynn K7LW gave a report on the N7NEO repeater system.
Health and Welfare:
ARES Report:
Keith N7ACW reviewed the June activities: Tour of Walla Walla and DART Exercise.
VE:
Jeff AL1Q reports that the next exam session is July 18th, location to be determined. There will be no walk-ins. Contact Jeff for information and registration.
Announcements:
Keith N7ACW showed a QSL card from WA2VZQ. It is from 2020 Salmon Run contest that Roy W7HJL participated in using the club station. Roy will reply using a club QSL card.
Misc:
Old Business:
Timber N7DJE purchased heat pump at discount and installed it in the clubhouse. He asked for donations to cover costs. Jeff AL1A moves that there be a three way split of the cost between the W7DP club, Lewis Peak Repeater Association, and donations. 2nd by N7ACW. Passed by show of hands.
There was discussion about ongoing cleanup efforts.
It was moved, seconded, and passed to have a clean up day 18 July at 0700. Goal is to remove nails and clean walls.
New Business:

Jeff AL1Q announced there will be digital net on 21 July at 1830. Mode is PSK3, USB, 28.103 MHz.

Timber N7DJE reported on Field Day.

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Timber is looking on getting the plans for building an arrow J-pole in the hopes of getting together with the club to have an antenna build day. He is also looking at the possibility of having CW training.

There was discussion about having a class for those wishing to upgrade to Extra. Keith suggested that existing Extras choose questions to present/discuss during the classes.

Show and Tell:

Mike WA7LKF showed a home brewed long-wire antenna tuner that he restored.



Keith N7ACW showed his new Comet Super Beam CS8790A, a mobile dual band antenna, and talked about how he will mount it on his truck.

Education:

Meeting adjourned:

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