

JUNEAU AMATEUR RADIO CLUB MEETING MINUTES

3/7/18

The March 7, 2018 regular meeting of the Juneau Amateur Radio Club was called to order by President Destiny Sargeant, KL4FQ at 7:01 P.M.

Attendance: Scott Novak, KL3JM; Rick Pearson, KL7PHB; Dave Bruce, WL7BKA; Joe Johnson, KL2ZS; Destiny Sargeant, KL4FQ; Sam Smith, KLØKZ; Ernie Mueller, KL2UH; Larry Walter, KL7IWC; Ivan Hazelton, NL5E; Rob Breffeilh; Howard Shepherd, AL7I; Dan Palicka, KL4FR; Bill Andre, NL3A; Martha Palicka, KL4FS; James Zuelow, KL2ZZ; Gabriel Zeisman,AL6D; Brandon Poff, NCS.

Minutes: The Minutes of the February 7, 2017 Regular Meeting were approved as distributed.

Membership Report: Membership Chair David Bruce reported the current membership at 53 and that new members are signing up.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Scott Novak submitted the following report:

The current balance of our general checking account is \$8,601.34. Deposits for last month were \$45.00 in dues, \$21.69 from Amazon Smile, and 30 cents in bank dividends.

Expenses for last month were \$237.05 for ARES vests.

The current balance of our gaming account is \$79.56 with no change from last month.

Sam Binkley donated an antenna, which will be sold with the proceeds going to the Club

VHF Report: The Juneau linked repeaters and the Eaglecrest repeater are working properly.

Special Projects Report: There are seven participants in the Pixie workshop and there is room for more. For more information contact Ivan Hazelton. The group meets every Saturday noon-two at the Weather Service building.

VE Report: .No activity during the month, although there is a potential for a Technician exam session.

Emergency Communications/ARES Report: The ARES group meets every first Wednesday at 6:00 P.M., an hour before the regular Club meeting. The Tuesday evening ARES Net repeater net calls in first on the Juneau linked network, then on the Eaglecrest repeater for contacts from Whitehorse and Haines. Also attempts to make contact with Sitka operators, that group has a net call-in on Monday night.

Old Business: Repair of the feed line for the Club station at the NWS Forecast awaits better weather, as does the repair of the tower trailer antenna wiring and/or connections.

Those who are interested in ordering a safety vest should contact Scott Novak with their information. He will order them soon.

President Sargeant mentioned that the continuing plan for Club meetings is to have the meeting last 45 minutes, take a short break and then have a short presentation from a Club member. The first presentation at this meeting will be from Scott Novak, who will discuss the attenuation of radio signals by the D-layer during the day.

President Sargeant circulated a sheet for members to list those activities that the Club participates in each month of the year.

New Business: James Zuelow is the Frequency Coordinator for Southeast Alaska. All repeater owners, including the Club, need to complete the on-line frequency coordination form. Also need to update all repeater information on alaskarepeaters.net. These include repeater linking frequencies. This task was assigned to the VHF Committee. James will send the form to the Club email address and to the VHF Committee.

The American Red Cross is moving its office to 5636 Glacier Highway. This location provides much more space for storage and activities. There may be a possibility for the JARC to locate a Winlink station at that location.

The Juneau Fourth of July Committee has requested that JARC continue to provide communications for its annual parade. The Club needs a coordinator for this.

There being no further business to come before the Club, the meeting adjourned at 7:54 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ernie Mueller, KL2UH,
Secretary
Juneau Amateur Radio Club

The next meeting of the Juneau Amateur Radio Club will be Wednesday, April 4, 2018, 7:00 P.M., National Weather Service Forecast Office, 8500 Mendenhall Loop Road, Juneau.