

JUNEAU AMATEUR RADIO CLUB MEETING MINUTES

11/7/18

Starting at 6:00 P.M. the members of the Juneau Amateur Radio Club held an informal potluck and celebration of the life of Pat Moore, AL7L(SK), long time Club President, Ham Radio instructor, special events organizer and inspiration to hundreds of Ham Radio Operators throughout Alaska and the Pacific Northwest. He is greatly missed. It was announced that the funeral mass for Pat would be at St. Paul's Catholic Church, November 17, 2018 at 3:00 P.M. followed by a potluck in the Parish Hall.

The November 7, 2018 regular meeting of the Juneau Amateur Radio Club was called to order by President Destiny Sargeant, KL4D at 7:03 P.M.

Attendance: Destiny Sargeant, KL4D; David Bruce, WL7BKA; Scott Novak, KL3JM; Howard Shepherd, AL7I; Jeffrey Deaner, KL7JVD; Ernie Mueller, KL2UH; James Zuelow, KL2ZZ; Larry Walter, KL7IWC; Russell Strandtmann, KL7HAO; Rick Pearson, KL7PHB; Sam Binkley, AL7V; Jeremy Hustman, KL4FC; Rob Breffeilh, AL5G; Deb Horner, KL4OD; Martha Palicka, KL4FS; Dan Palicka, KL4FR; Bill Andre, NL3A; Joe Johnson, KL2ZS; Ivan Hazelton, NL5I.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the October 3, 2018 meeting were approved as distributed.

Membership report: Membership Chair David Bruce reported that there are 58 members paid for 2018, no change from the last report.

Treasurer's report: Treasurer Scott Novak reported that the unallocated fund balance is \$5662.87; in addition there are predesignated reserves of \$3300. Expenses were \$2784 for the new Elecraft amplifier and tuner. Income included \$250 from sale of the tower trainer fuel tank, \$100 from garage sale items, \$9.38 from AmazonSmile, and \$0.37 in bank dividends. The gaming account balance is \$129.56, unchanged from last month.

VHF report: The Eaglecrest repeater has been taken out of service for the winter. The antennas and mast are down. Jeff Deaner, KL7JVD will modify the transmitter to automatically send the station identification. The repeater will be reinstalled in spring 2019.

The Mount Roberts repeater is off the air. It is possible that Gastineau Guiding, which has been providing the electricity for the repeater, has shut it off. Howard Shepherd, AL7I will check this out. Alternative options for relocating the repeater were discussed.

VE report: There was no activity in October.

Education report: Club members are needed to head up this activity, Rob Breffeilh, AL5G and Ivan Hazelton, NL5I will take this on.

Special Activities report: Jeff Deaner will take on this assignment. The Voice Sweepstakes contest was discussed and assignments made for this activity.

ARES: ARES Coordinator Martha Palicka, AL4FS reported that she experienced some static on the repeater system, which may be a problem from the emergency communications aspect. There was some discussion about possible sources of static, but no decisions were made. She informed the Club that there will be a statewide emergency communication exercise in December; she will send out a notice, but there will likely be an ARES group meeting before the exercise. She reminded that Club that the Yukon Amateur Radio Association has an emergency communications net daily at 6:00 P.M. Alaska time.

OLD BUSINESS

Dan Palicka is working on the prize for the gun raffle

The \$5000 AT&T Pioneers grant that Jeff Deaner applied for on behalf of the Club was awarded and he has received the check. Thank you, Jeff!

The matter of the Club website was brought up; Scott Novak will arrange a meeting with Jeremy Hustman to discuss this.

Jeff Deaner and Bill Andre will chair the nominating committee for the Annual Meeting to be held January 12, 2019.

The schedule for the Annual Meeting was revised: Social Hour from 5:00 P.M. to 6:00. Dinner at 6:00, Annual Meeting begins at 7:00. Sam Smith has agreed to cook. Scott Novak moved that \$300 be allocated for gift cards from Ham Radio dealers for Annual Meeting drawing prizes. The motion was approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Jeff Deaner asked that the Club reimburse him for his excess baggage costs of transporting the equipment for the Hoonah Mountain repeater installation to Hoonah from Juneau. The request was approved.

President Destiny Sargeant brought up the need for a complete inventory of all of the Club equipment, some of which is at the Club Station at the NWS Forecast Office, some at Club members' homes, the Fire Control Training Center and repeater sites. She requested that all Club members having Club equipment make a list and send it to her. James Zuelow, KL2ZZ pointed out that he had secured property stickers for the Club. It was mentioned that a proper inventory of Club property would include descriptive details such as serial number, manufacturer, etc. The property Stickers not yet used were given to the Secretary, Ernie Mueller.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER: Vice President Rick Pearson, KL7PHB was welcome back after being out of Juneau for several months for medical care. Rick immediately volunteered to be Net Control Operator for the Tuesday 7:00 P.M. ARES Nets. You cannot keep a good person down!!

There being no further business to come before the Juneau Amateur Radio Club, the meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted
Ernie Mueller, KL2UH
Secretary, JARC

The next regular meeting of the Juneau Amateur Radio Club will be Wednesday December 5, 2018, 7:00 P.M. at the National Weather Service Forecast Office, 8500 Mendenhall Loop Road, Juneau.