

JUNEAU AMATEUR RADIO CLUB MEETING MINUTES

5/2/18

The May 2, 2018 regular meeting of the Juneau Amateur Radio Club was called to order by Vice-President Rick Pearson, KL7PHB at 7:00 P.M.

Attendance: Scott Novak, KL3JM; Rick Pearson, KL7PHB; Dave Bruce, WL7BKA; Ernie Mueller, KL2UH; Larry Walter, KL7IWC; Ivan Hazelton, NL5I; Pat Moore, AL7L; Rob Breffeilh, AL5G; Howard Shepherd, AL7I; Bill Andre, NL3A; Martha Palicka, KL4FS; Jerry Prindle, KL7HFI; Glenn Sicks, KLØQZ; Sam Smith, KLØKZ; Joe Johnson, KL2ZS; Alex West, AL3X; Ivan Hazelton, NL5I; John Barnett, KL4OB; Russell Strandtman, KL7HAO.

Minutes: The Minutes of the April 4, 2017 Regular Meeting were approved as distributed.

Membership Report: Membership Chair David Bruce reported the current membership at 57.

Treasurer's Report: There was no formal Treasurer's Report but Treasurer Scott Novak noted that the income since the last reports was \$45 in dues and expenses were \$200 for the insurance for the Club.

VHF Report: Howard Shepherd reported that he may have heard some interference along the lines of what occurred at the Mt. Roberts repeater a few months ago, but other than that the system is working fine.

Special Projects Report: Pat Moore reported that the CW class is going very well, almost every night there is a 15 minute code practice over the air. The class is having a lot of fun.

This weekend is the Area 7 QSO party, all the counties will be on the air. Alaska has been invited to be a sponsor for this event in the future. The exchange is a little more relaxed than other QSO parties.

The Pixie II workshop and the code class which follows continue to meet on Saturdays.

Glenn Sicks reported on the planning for Field Day 18. More information will be available at the June meeting.

VE Report: No activity.

Emergency Communications/ARES Report: ARES Coordinator Martha Palicka reported on the May ARES meeting. She will update the station capability forms and distribute them to all Club member; she encourages everyone to participate. There are quarterly emergency communications exercises within the State which usually includes Winlink communications with Wasilla. The ARES group is planning a local exercise probably with Sitka and maybe some other southeast Alaska communities in August. There may be an opportunity to add other agencies. Will try to communicate with other communities using a NVIS antenna setup.

For those running the Tuesday night nets, she will send out the preamble and a log form.

The American Red Cross has offered some space in its new office for ARES to set up a station. Internet service may be available through the ARC router for possible Winlink access. The landlord will have to give permission for the installation of an antenna. The ARC also has its own radios that will have to be installed.

New Business: The first Wednesday in July is Independence Day, which would be the regular Club monthly meeting day. It was moved and passed to change the July meeting to the second Wednesday, July 11, 2018 at the usual time and place.

Old Business: There was no old business.

There being no further business to come before the Club, the meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Following the meeting Bill Andre gave a brief presentation about digital modes in Amateur Radio.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ernie Mueller, KL2UH,
Secretary
Juneau Amateur Radio Club

The next meeting of the Juneau Amateur Radio Club will be Wednesday, June 6 2018, 7:00 P.M., National Weather Service Forecast Office, 8500 Mendenhall Loop Road, Juneau. The Guest Speaker will be James Zuelow, KL2ZZ on Field Tuning a VHF Duplexer with a Spectrum Analyzer.