

Regular meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by Myles, VE7FSR.

In attendance:

In person: Myles VE7FSR (President), Ralph VA7VZA, Simon VE7RIZ, Dave VE7LTW, Vern VE7VGO, Peter VE7DNZ, Jack VE7CWQ, Mark VE7ARN, Angelo (guest).

Online: Brock VA7AV (Secretary), Iain VE7IET, Tom VA7TWL, Bill VE7EAF, Chuck VE7PJR, Ian VE7HHS.

Agenda:

Motion to approve agenda made by Dave VE7LTW, Jack VE7CWQ. Passed.

Reading of Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Motion to accept June minutes made by Iain VE7IET and seconded by Vern VE7VGO. Passed.

Business arising from Minutes: None

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's Report prepared by Jordan VE7OSX and presented by Myles VE7FSR.

Note that membership renewals are now due. \$450 donation from Shawn VE7NIN. \$50 donation from Claude VE7CFJ.

Motion to accept September Treasurer's Report made by Simon VE7RIZ, Seconded by Peter VE7DNZ. Passed.

Secretary's Report: Nothing to report

Director's Reports:

Directors

Dave VE7LTW – Saturday breakfasts have been slightly poorer attended, but still getting close to 10 or so.

Vern VE7VGO – HF report. Band conditions are pretty good these days.



Ralph VA7VZA – Fall picnic. Discussion suggests September 23, September 30 or October 7. Aberdeen Longboard Park is the proposed location. Ralph will apply for City permit.

- Christmas Dinner. Consensus is to hold dinner at Kirsten's Hideout on December 7th. Ralph will confirm whether this date is acceptable to Kirsten.
- Eclipse on October 14th. A partial eclipse will be visible here. HamSci group planning to do propagation experiments using amateur radio with participation from interested hams. Check their website for information on how to participate.

Myles VE7FSR - Welcome to new ham Jack Willie who has been given call VE7CWQ.

- New club remote HF station has been put together on Mt. Lolo. Radio is club's IC-7300 and antenna is an Off-Center Fed Dipole, with peak at about 50 feet. Software used is Icom's RS-BA1, that can be installed on member computers (Advanced certification required). Ian VE7HHS has tested several headsets and has determined the Yealink UH34 USB wired headset is a good option balancing cost, noise canceling and audio quality.

Repeater Report:

Some random issues have been identified and repaired at repeater sites. Microwave backbone link upgrading has begun with the help of Lee VE7FET. New air conditioner installed at Lolo. Work party to Iron Mountain was launched to sort out kerchunk issue. Cause identified as loose tower bolts causing rectification. Transmit power has been increased with no apparent issues.

IC Examiner's Report:

None

New Business:

Myles VE7FSR: A course may be offered to upgrade members to Advanced status. Remote HF station demonstrated to in person meeting attendees.

Meeting adjourned at 8 PM when Myles' laptop battery expired and feed was lost.