

Elkhorn Valley Amateur Radio Club

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> July 20, 2024 Monthly Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 8:31 by club Vice President Andy Johnson.

Members present: Nick – KB0GMQ, Jon – N0IGU, Andy-KF0CSI, Terry – W0TDL, Aaron – KT0Q, Frank – KF0ODS, Terry – KF0ATX, Monty – NR0A, Ron – N0ZQR,

The Minutes were read by Aaron. Monty made a motion to accept. Ron seconded. It was carried by the club.

The Treasurers Report was read by Aaron. A motion was made by Nick to accept. Terry L. seconded. It was carried by the club.

Committee Reports

Testing Committee – The North Bend Ham Fest testing session was a success. 5 participants tested, 4 passed, 1 Technician, 2 General, 1 Extra. On August 17th we will host another session at the Norfolk Public Library at 1:15pm. VEs should notify Monty ASAP and plan on being at the library at 1pm

Repeater Reports – The 73 site has had some issues with the internet having issues after rain storms. We will do some trouble shooting on the systems to see if we can isolate the issues. Monty has run windows updates on the machines and the computers seem stable. The new laptops should be installed in the next few weeks.

Old Business

Fox Hunt – The foxhunt was successful. There were multiple participants, and it seemed to work better at a smaller location.

Field Day – Field day was a success. Our club made 56 contacts, consisting of 24 CW contacts and 32 voice contacts. A great time was had, both operating and discussing radio. Terry R. made a suggestion for a hinge at the top of the tower so the antenna rotates when being brought down.

North Bend Ham Fest – Many of our club members attended the event. Les was in attendance and there were many great deals to be had. Andy took some time to talk about MeshTastic which is functionally APRS that does not need an amateur radio license to operate.

New Business

Library Books – Monty purchased the new testing book from the ARRL for \$46.50 to donate to the library. Aaron made a motion that the club reimburse Monty for the purchase cost. Ron seconded. Carried by the club. Monty also mentioned the amateur radio books in the library were from the early 90s. The ARRL has a deal for around \$250 for a new set. Aaron made a motion that Monty purchase the books for the library. Terry seconded. It was carried by the club.

The monthly Split-the-Pot drawing of \$13 was won by Ron who donated it to the club.

Future Dates

August Meeting – August 10th Testing – August 17th

Meeting Adjourned at 9:31 am.

Respectfully Submitted, Aaron Mathis, KTOQ Treasurer/Secretary