

Park meeting minutes May 2023

Meeting was called to order by Mike at 6:30 PM at the Western Sizzlin steakhouse.

The 50-50 raffle and was conducted and was won by Larry Dale. He won \$32.

Treasures report by Jane H, the starting balance of \$5600.68.

Plus \$40 in dues and \$25.00 from raffle bringing the balance to \$5665.68.

Introductions were made there were 37 members and guests present for this meeting. Yay!

Old business.

Kenny's group is going to be having a general class license exam and also a packet radio class in the near future. To get information regarding these. Please get in contact with Kenny on the 255 machine and you'll get all the details.

Also, under old and new business: The Field day shelter has been reserved. We just need to pay the fee within a week of usage Porta potty will be ordered. We discussed about having Operators to bring your own radio or make arrangements to borrow one that you know how to use. We will provide the antennas necessary. Just let us know what bands and modes you were planning on working. Jerry is heading up the push to get as many extra points as we can.

The antennas will be start being put up on June 23 Friday evening probably about 6 o'clock. The rest of the stuff will be installed Saturday morning the 24th ., Field day

Blaine is going to be the safety officer and be in charge of cooking,. running the grill, The Klub will provide the meat and drinks.

There will be a sheet passed around at the next meeting for other condiments and foods, (veggies and deserts). The meal will be at 6:00pm at the shelter on Fort Boreman as it has in the past.

Jerry KA8NJW quickly reviewed the new RF exposure rules. They went into affect May 3, 2023. He indicated that the roles actually had not changed they're just being implemented for ham radio operators at this time. The ARRL website has a simple calculator that you can use to calculate your RF exposure for any given radio and antenna. It's simple to use and takes about five minutes or so. The rules have actually been in place since 2019, but they are just being applicable to ham radio operators now.

Having no further business Carl Long made the motion to adjourn the meeting. We adjourned at 7:00pm.

Minutes taken by Mary Wharton, stray comments by Jerry W. (typist)