

Park meeting minutes October 9, 2023

Western Sizzlin, steakhouse, Parkersburg.

Meeting was called to order by new president Larry Dale at 6:25 PM.

The first order of business that Larry wanted to get out of the way. Were the revisions of the constitution and bylaws of the Parkersburg Amateur Radio Klub.

He passed out copies of the old constitution and bylaws and then a paper containing the suggested revisions. The changes were mostly grammar and a clean up of confusing sentences.

The only major change was to bring back the associate member. They had been eliminated in a 2018 change. Under the new bylaws, when the members voted in, they will be an associate member for one month and then formally voted into the Klub the next month. If approved by a 2/3 vote of members present.

A motion was made by Mike and seconded by Scott that we have a formal vote on these changes at the next meeting. That motion was approved. The new constitution and bylaws will be posted on the website for all the view before the vote.

That business being taken care of, there were introductions made by 30 members and guess.

The 50-50 raffle was won by Baines for a total of \$31.

The minutes of the September meeting were read by Mary W were approved as read.

The treasurer's report was given by Jane. The beginning balance was \$4262 and the ending balance was \$4209. The treasurer's report was excepted as read.

Jane pointed out that an audit of the books was required by the bylaws, and so Debbie and Norma volunteered to do that during the next month. Thanks ladies.

Old business.

Jerry gave a report about the Volcano Days Special Event station. He thanked everybody who helped with that endeavor. We had 86 phone contacts and 46 FT8 contacts thanks to Conard's hard work a big shout out was given to Kenny for his help with the antennas and power. I received seven requests for QSL cards. Also all the contacts were logged to the logbook of the world.

Earl brought up that we were still borrowing mesh node's and antennas from Kenny and he thought that we should go ahead and buy the nodes and the antennas that we needed. It was commented that this is already been approved before, but hadn't been ordered yet, so it was re-approved for him to spend up to \$500 buying the necessary equipment that was moved by Mike and seconded by Scott approved by the club.

New business

It was reminded that Kenny's ham fest is this weekend the 14th at October at Butcher Bend campground. It was recommended to everybody go out and support this type of activity as to keep these events happening. The comment was also made at the Belpre ham fest held a few weeks ago was great.

An application was approved for associate member ,Jacob Filozof, who just passed his test and has no call yet.

With no further business, there was a motion to adjourn by Bob, KB8EFB, motion to adjourn was approved at 7:15.

The minutes taken by Mary Wharton, extraneous comments by Jerry W. KA8NJW