## Minutes of Pella Amateur Radio Club June 20, 2021 - 1:30PM Liberty Evangelical Free Church, Pella, IA

- Present: Roger, WØZMU; Justin, KEØFKF; Mike, NØMPM; Jim, WBØURW; Daniel, WØOTV with daughter Molly; Larry, KBØMOT; Tyler, KEØZZO and son Trey; Steve, WBØCHS; Bobby, KØBLC and David, WØIM.
- 2. Approval of minutes of the meeting of May 16 Minutes approved with no additions or corrections.
- 3. Treasurer's Report
  - a. Activity
    - i. Interest earned \$0.05
    - ii. ARRL Liability Insurance through June 2022 -\$200.00
  - b. Current Balances
    - i. General \$968/26
    - ii. Repeater \$438.81
    - iii. PENS \$688.86
    - iv. Balance in all accounts \$2095.23
  - c. Justin in looking into PellaCorp's volunteer recognition program and setting PARC as an eligible organization for receiving donations.
  - d. Jim E. has contacted AirGas concerning a mischarge.
- 4. PENS report A picosatellite is being prepared for a Girl Scouts launch as soon as the weather is right. It will be using WSPR for data transmission.
- 5. Any further details to work out concerning Field Day? (reports from those responsible for certain areas) To refresh our collective memories, these are the point persons for the various areas of activity:
  - Justin, KEØFKF-General coordination & advertising, invite police, fire, city council, etc. (Kevin has signs, Mike has banner, Justin has a large sign) Update sign-up sheet on Groups.io. Facebook social media post complete.
  - b. Daniel, WØOTV-VHF radio and antenna set up, club generator and gas.
  - c. Mike, NØMPM-HF radio set up (K2 or club Icom).
  - d. Dave, WØIM–HF antenna and info table, laptops and logger software and router/cables, report info to ARRL, will bring solar system and battery from Vermeer.
  - e. Kevin, KBØBGU -canopy, tables, etc. (Larry, KBØMOT, has tables if needed)
  - f. Steve, WBØCHS Refreshments / Meal will bring water, iced tea, and ice. Donuts for morning. Bring your own beverage otherwise. Pizza around 6pm. Invite your family. Steve will need help due to limited lifting.
  - g. Roger, WØZMU Safety Officer
  - h. All are encouraged to bring ham magazines or other material to give away.
  - i. Additional Field Day items:
  - Call people to sign up for certain slots. Look for brand new call signs in area and contact them.
  - Kevin will not be at Field Day, but will get signs to the club.
  - Take a lot of pictures.

- Bring yellow/green vest to event
- Jim will plan to do satellite with his equipment.
- Use Daniels rig to copy RTTY message. Mike to bring antenna.
- Someone has to send a message to the SEC. Get message to Roger and he will send.
- Orient off-center fed dipole broad side East-West.
- 6. Opportunity to serve the Pella Post of the American Legion in their 5K Ruck Walk/Run on July 5
  - Run set up at 8am and run starts at 9am. Staggered start.
  - We will plan to be there 8am-11am
  - Meet at 8am at the Memorial building.
  - Roger, Mike, and Daniel checked coverage on VHF/UHF.
  - Plan to use crossband repeater. Net control at start would be on UHF. All else on route on VHF. Will give good coverage of entire route.
  - Volunteers: Tyler, Daniel, Justin, Roger, Mike. Need at least one more volunteer.
  - Daniel will bring maps.
- 7. Tentative date for a Fox Hunt (coordinators?) Potential for early Fall. Tabled until future meeting.
- 8. Other business?
  - a. Equipment loan agreement Roger made a rough copy of an equipment loan agreement to loan out items to club members. Start with 3 months.
  - b. Net Control Sign up on <u>groups.io</u> or email Tyler to get on the list. Mike will take this Monday.
  - c. Repeater Any repeater work needed? Issues getting to repeater with handheld in some locations in Pella. Has to do with the location of the antenna on the water tower. Start planning for potential work in October or so. Tyler will look into raising the antenna 5 ft.
- 9. Adjournment Adjourned at 2:47 PM

Next meeting is Sunday, July 18, 2021 @ 1:30pm @ Liberty Evangelical Free Church

Justin McAninch - Secretary