



PATOKA VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Actual/Zoom Meeting

7.00 pm Eastern

Headquarters-Jasper

9/14/2021

MINUTES

- Our meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance.
- President Mike KA9GDW stated our club motto of, To Foster, Educate, and Mentor Amateur Radio.
- Treasury and roll call by Mike KA9GDW. Roll call showed 18 members in attendance, 15 in person, 4 via Zoom meeting & 1 guest.
- Motion made to accept Minutes – 1st Mike KD9GYN & 2nd Craig KD9KNC.
- Motion made to accept Treasurers Report – 1st Jody KC9YIM & 2nd Jason KD9PLX
- VP – Jeff KM4QLA had no comments.

OLD BUSINESS

- Net Night – Discussions were held regarding the moving Net Night back to Tuesday. Mike KA9GDW was concerned about losing participants/Net Controllers. Bud N9NAU motioned to keep Monday as the Net Night, Jody KC9YIM 2nd to stay on Monday for the rest of the year. Motioned passed.
- Paul W9PRM will takes Rick'sK9RBH place for Net Night rotation.
- Web Site Development – Gary WB9LIB has completed initial design of the Club website, PatokaValleyARC.org. Gary presented the website layout to in-person & Zoom Club Members. Rick inquired about shutting down the Club Facebook page – awaiting discussion. He also commented about removing the Club Financial Report from the Minutes if posted on the website.

NEW BUSINESS

- John K4PSE – Reports he is out of hospital and doing much better.
- Zoom – Mike KA9GDW purchased a 1 Year Zoom subscription account. All Club members can use the Zoom account in addition to Meeting Nights. Discussion was held regarding purchasing a Camera/Microphone for future Zoom meetings.



- Fusion Repeater – Gary WB9LIB discussed the new N9MZF Yaesu DR-2X System Fusion Repeater which is on the air. Gary, Mike N9MZF, & Bud N9NAU completed the installation in one day. This new repeater will support FM/Analog & C4FM Digital modes.
- FT-70DR HT – To promote the new Yaesu DR-2X System Fusion repeater Gary WB9LIB will be giving away a new FT-70DR to a club member. Gary will email contest details to Club members. The lucky Club member must be present for the October meeting, in-person or on Zoom. If present on Zoom the winner must call Gary or Mike within 3 minutes.
- River Walk – Mike KA9GDW further discussed hosting a public Open House at the Jasper River Walk. Current thought was to table the Open House until Spring 2022 as everyone's calendar is filling up for the rest of this year. Mike N9MZF will conduct an RF Survey in regards to noise levels in that immediate area.
- Club Nominations – New Club Officer nominations will be held during the October meeting, Pres, VP, Secretary. Consideration given to: Eligibility per constitution, qualified, attendance.

QRM (anything else)

- Rt 66 Contest – Mike KA9GDW discussed his experiences and strategy for Contesting.

BIRTHDAYS

- Joe Buechlein - June 24

TECHNICAL PRESENTATION

- RF Exposure Exercise – Rick K9RBH presented the new FCC rules concerning Part 97 RF Emissions, RF Exposure and Your Shack. Discussion was held regarding how to calculate RF emissions which must be filed “in” your shack by 03 May 2022. ARRL does have an online calculator to aid the exercise. Rick and Gary went through the exercise of the calculations for several members,

Adjourn

- Motion to Adjourn by Jason KD9PLX & 2nd by Rick K9RBH.
- Meeting ended at 20:56 est.
- Next meeting on October 12, 2021.