

Minutes of the VVARA March 24th 2010 General Meeting.

The March 24th 2010 VVARA meeting was held at the Cottonwood Public Safety Bldg. conference room.

The meeting was called to order by President Jeff Swiggers, N7ZZN, at 7:02 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Peter Fish, KA7FEB.

Guests, new members, recent upgrades, new hams and visitors:

Visitors were Donna Francis, KD7ZIJ, and Larry, KW7I.

Secretary's Report

Jason Shultz, KE7WWQ, Secretary read the minutes of the Feb 24th meeting. Motion to approve minutes as corrected was made by Mel Boreham, N6BDC, and seconded by Carol Hills, KA7LKW. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed.

Treasures Report

Mel Boreham, N6BDC, gave the Treasurer's report. Our bank balance on March 16th was \$6,444.25 and we are waiting for this month's bank statement. \$50 was donated in memory of Steve Pearson's father, John G. Pearson, to Meals on Wheels in Prescott Valley. \$100 was donated to Doctors without Borders, for Haitian Disaster Relief. A check for \$164 was mailed to Marsh Affinity Group for the club's Repeater Equipment Insurance on March 24th.

Don Rader, N7HYH, and Al Witte, KD6LZE, audited the VVARA financial statements for 2009, and found no errors. A motion to approve the audit was made by Norm Vandiver, N7VF, and Gary Mazey, KB7TRC, seconded the motion. It passed by a voice vote.

Old Business

Mission statement:

A motion to approve the Mission Statement, as published in the Feedback Newsletter, was made by Mel Boreham N6BDC and was seconded by Carol Hills, KA7LKW. The motion passed by voice vote.

Ham Fest: YARC cancelled the Yavapai Hamfest. Jack Crabtree, W7JLC, moved that the VVARA not participate in the management or be a sponsor of any hamfest or swap meet for the remainder of 2010. Mike Wingate, WA6LSE, seconded the motion and it passed.

Prescott Hamfest Tradename: Jack Crabtree, W7JLC, made a motion to release the trade name "Prescott Hamfest." Norm Vandiver, N7VF seconded the Motion and it passed by voice vote.

New Business

Tech Classes: Jack Crabtree, W7JLC, reported that 17 of 18 participants passed their FCC license exams.

Newsletter: Mazey, Gary, KB7TRC thanked Starla Thompson, KE7DTS for bringing back the newsletter.

The business meeting adjourned at 7:50pm. Jack Crabtree, W7JLC, made the motion and Jeff Swiggers, N7ZZN, seconded it. Motion passed. Following a break for cookies and coffee, the meeting reconvened at 8:00pm.

Presentations

Tonight' presentation was given by Mike Wingate, WA6LSE, on the history, makeup and operations of Urban Search and Rescue teams within the U.S. and their recent deployments after a major earthquake in Haiti.

50/50 Raffle

The 50/50 raffle was run and Jack Burton, WA6TDU, won. He took \$5 and returned \$5 to the pot. The club took in \$25 from the raffle.

Eggs won by ?.

Fruit won by ?.

A set of headphones donated by Al Barber, AA7OV, were won by our visitor, Larry Francis.

Meeting Adjourned

A call for a Motion to close the meeting was made by Bob Thompson, KC8BOB, and seconded by Carol Hills, KA7LKW. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed.

Meeting closed at 8:40 p.m.