

VVARA MEETING MINUTES

June 19, 2019 at Spirit of Joy Lutheran Church, Clarkdale, Arizona

Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm by President Wayne Gilbertson WA7IGI, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Wayne then called for all present to stand and identify themselves. 32 Members present.

Visitors and recent upgrades: One new member present, Quick Coddington KC7TRR. No upgrades.

Secretary Report: K8EQC Bob read the May 2019 minutes from the website for KF7KXH. Motion to accept by KF7QVK Marny, second by N6SNW Marsha. Motion carried.

Treasurer Report: The treasurer's report was given by treasurer Don Sears N7PLL, \$2000.00 in the equipment self-insurance fund, \$2697.94 in all other accounts. Motion to accept by Carol KA7LKW, second by Marsha N6SNW, carried.

Repeater Technical Committee Report: APRS antenna and feed line are good, any problem is due to equipment. 440 Antenna should be replaced, size and location. There is another UHF antenna but it has too high SWR at our freq. Planning another trip to install the Daniels equipment and other work. Squaw Peak is a work in progress. Steve KC7TIL proposed buying a new Alinco to replace the APRS equipment, \$165.00. Made into motion by TIL, second by KI6FH Rod, carried. Glitch in computer for EchoLink. Instructions: If your connection times out after 30 sec or so, just log in again.

Membership: 140 members, 78 ARRL, per KC8BOB Bob.

Old Business: Prescott Hamfest. Picked up two new members. Lack of vendors was disappointing. Free parking and overnight was commented on. Balloon launch and retrieval successful with some complications. Field Day coming up, suggested pot luck with six cases of soft drinks and sub sandwiches provided by club. Work party Friday 3:00 pm. Operations start at 11:00 Saturday, run for 24 hours.

New Business: Club must update with ARRL annually to remain on their roster. N7PLL Don did this for this year.

ARRL Video: TS 890S overview.

Break: 50/50 drawing won by K7LMJ Mike, donated back to the club. \$27.00 was mentioned at some point.

Program: Solar Power for Ham Radio presented by Wayne WA7IGI. Very interesting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:04pm.

Submitted by Leo A. Zuercher KF7KXH, Secretary.