

Mountain Top Amateur Radio Association

Minutes for 5/2/2023
ZOOM Session

Welcome:

Lorna called the meeting to order at 19:07. She welcomed all to our ZOOM meeting. She let us know that she was doing well. Chet/VP/ also checked in and welcomed everyone.

Introductions and Reports: As our secretary, Debbie/WB6LVC was Absent last month, there were no Minutes to share.

Treasurer, Nancy Karlson/K6CUB was not present. President Lorna had received a report from Nancy, and she shared it with the members. Our ending balance for April was \$15,473.72. Dues were collected that totaled \$260.00. There were no expenditures. The balance at the beginning of May was \$16,733.72.

Weekly Nets: Denise, N6DEE, NCO Coordinator

Mondays at 7:00PM, MTARA Net, MTARA-2

Tuesdays at 7:00, MTARA 220 Net, MTARA-5

Wednesdays at 6:30 PM, Skywarn and at 7:00, Mountain CERT Net, MTARA-2

Wednesday/Monthly on 7.223 and on Zoom, at 7:30, The HF Net

Fridays at 5:00, The YL Happy Hour Net, MTARA-5

Club Items:

- A. Name tags – Harlan Technologies, Name Tags by Gene, (715) 340-1299, www.hampubs.com Shawn Harlan – KA9BXA, harlantech@gmail.com
- B. Mouse Pads
- C. T-shirts – Port Authority K42OP – Dark Green, L420 – Dark Green, K100LS=Dark Green: Embroidery, Hurt Ink, 6751 Coleen Lane, San Bernardino, Ca, 92407, 909-815-6852, Hurtink815@gmail.com and www.hurtink.com.

Club Events, Discussions/Information:

Lorna shared with the membership that currently the board is looking at the bylaws and constitution revision portions of the documents. When that task has been completed, the changes will be voted on by the members.

Presentation: Tracy introduced the topics for the presentation. Four of our members shared information about topics dealing with emergencies. They were:

A Communications Refresher by Dede/K6DDZ, EMCOMM Nets by Denise/N6DEE, Forms by Lorna/KJ6GFS and Antennas by Tracy/WM6T.

Dede included in her report events that need to be covered, The ICS Organization Chart, what you need to do to be a good volunteer, acting professionally and such. She had numerous slides that presented in-depth information on the topics.

Denise shared events that trigger EMCOMM Nets. These included rockslides, fires, extreme snow earthquakes, etc. She has had slides listing jobs and procedures. The NCO is the first person on the air. Calls report to 911. The frequency is the one with a repeater. Denise referred to the planned and unplanned weather nets many of us have taken part in. She discussed activation for fire and recovery through CERT. Additional ways to help or give out information were listed, too.

Lorna presented forms that were used by emergency organizations. She put up slides of : ICS 214, ICS 309, ICS 213 and she showed how to fill them in for their respective topics.

Our final topic was presented by Tracy on the use of antennas that were simple and quick. Some types of communication resources include the use of Simplex, Repeater, Crossband Repeaters, Winlink, Echolink, APRS/SARTrack and our cell phones. He mentioned what types of event would require which type of antenna.

Wrap-Up/Close:

Following the presentation, the raffle was held featuring “goodies” from Pacificon.

Lorna closed the meeting, thanking everyone for attending. The next meeting’s date and location is up in the air. Tracy will send out an email to inform the members when and where for the June and July meetings.

Lorna officially closed the meeting at 21:30

Minutes submitted by: Debbie Johnson/WB6LVC

Approved by: