

## October 21, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Recorded by: Steve, W5JK

Meeting was chaired by Vice President, Jim Lavin, K5VZ and called to order at 8:12AM. Attending new licensees Ron Bath and Ron Swain were recognized and congratulated.

### Officers Present

Jim Lavin, K5VZ  
Ron Ford, KF5OMH  
Jim Horton, WB8YWA  
Mike Reitz, W5EVT

### Voting Members Present

Steve Kline, W5JK  
Lonnie Pringle, KG5KNT  
Clay Brewer, W5CEB  
Ron Bath, KG5VIS  
Ron Swain, KG5VIV (now a voting member)  
Dale Finley, KB5NFT

### Non-voting Members Present

None

Vice president Jim Lavin asked if there were any questions or comments regarding September meeting minutes posted in monthly news letter. There were no comments or questions. Request made to accept September meeting minutes. Motion made by Jim Horton WB8YWA to accept September meeting minutes and seconded by Clay Brewer, W5CEB.

### Treasurers Report

Next order of business was the Treasurer's report presented by Ron Ford, KF5OMH.

As of October 19th, checking account beginning balance was \$2,385.16. Total income was \$41.50, total expenses \$1.69. Checking account September ending balance \$2,424.97.

Savings account beginning balance was \$31.66. There were no deposits or withdrawals. Savings account ending balance \$31.66.

Club assets total \$2,990.98. Total LARA net value is \$5,447.61.

Ron Ford is working on getting the club signed up with Amazon, Kroger, and SubWay as contributors to club for percentage of club spend with these retailers.

Motion to approve Finance report was made by Mike Reitz, W5EVT, seconded by Clay Brewer, W5CEB.

### Technical Report:

The 145.170 repeater is working fine. The club "220" machine antenna and repeater was removed from Jim Lavin's QTH and relocated to Mike Reitz QTH. The "220" transmitter PA's recently burnt up due to keying malfunction. A new transmitter has been ordered for \$129.00, no tax and shipping included.

It was mentioned and noted that the club should keep an eye open for a heavier duty transmitter for the "220" machine.

An inventory of the 220 machine will be performed and documented. Club also has some quantity of HT's on hand which also need to be audited and documented.

Motion was made to accept technical report by Lonnie Pringle, KG5KNT and seconded by Clay Brewer, W5CEB.

### Operations Report

Open house at Lewisville Central fire station was held October 14th, all who participated were thanked.

Two new activities coming up:

- LARA Christmas party will be held on either 12/9 or 12/16. Need to pick one of these dates. Preference is 12/9 with fall back to

12/16 date if finding location for the 9th becomes an issue.

- Winter field day is the last weekend of January.

**Old Business:**

Technician class was held October 7-8. There were four participants. Test session was conducted on October 8th, all four participants passed their Technician class test. It was noted and reviewed with club that members of the VE team cannot test and participate in the same exam session.

**New Business:**

One junk box was returned by Ron Ford, Clay Brewer, W5CEB took box home.

Mike Reitz, W5EVT would like to see the club allocate funds to obtain window decals and possibly club business cards. Motion was made by Mike Reitz to allocate funds of up to \$100.00 for the purpose of purchasing decals and business cards. Motion was seconded by Jim Horton, WB8YWA. Ron Ford will design business cards and purchase. Mike Reitz will purchase club decals.

Ron Bath volunteered to step into the club Public Information Officer (PIO) role.

Motion made by Lonnie Pringle, KG5KNT to adjourn meeting and seconded by Mike Reitz, W5EVT.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:36 AM.**