

Pend Oreille County Radio Group Radio Club Meeting Minutes

October 16, 2021

I. Call to order

Vice President Warren Weber Called the meeting to order at 10:05. President Mark Ford, KA7LAS, remains on vacation out of the country. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

II. Roll call

A sign in sheet in leu of roll call was completed with the following in attendance:

Warren Weber, N7WEB – Vice President Shannon Mossman, W6SPY – Secretary/Treasurer Rich Kroll, KI7LFD – Training Coordinator Rich Schreiber, KI7LFB Jon Allison, KJ7KCW Jim Pletsch, N1REZ Saundra Curteman, WRNM841 Ronnie Curteman, WRNM841 Scott Hanley, K7SAH Dale Weathers, WRJG355

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Minutes from the previous meeting were not available.

IV. Financial Report

Treasurer Shannon Mossman, W6SPY, provided the financial report. The club has \$601.71 in the WaFed checking account.

V. Old Business

a) Cooks Mountain 2m repeater was replaced with a Kenwood TKR-750 and the frequency changed to 145.470- PL 100. The GE MSTR II will be serviced and placed at a high-level TBD in the Ione area remaining on the 147.12- PL 100 frequency. IACC coordination was obtained. Shannon explained the reasoning behind the frequency change.

- b) The Diamond Lake 2m antenna was raised to 60' and coverage has increased significantly to Newport and Priest River. Shannon hosts this repeater and explained that it has emergency power and is connected to Allstar and Echolink.
- c) Scott Caldwell, WRMJ784, has taken over the Diamond Lake GMRS repeater and coverage has extended south and east.
- d) Scott Hanley, K7SAH/WQXU640 owns the Deer Park/Loon Lake GMRS repeater and says he is pleased to affiliate with POCRG and it pursuing a similar relationship with the Stevens County area.
- e) Sandra Curteman has attempted to contact the county EOC representative for the Door to Door program but has not received any contact. She is placing the project on hold until the county returns her calls.
- f) Jim Pletsch presented several Motorola FRS radios for possible use by the community. Shannon will take custody, charge and evaluate.

VI. New Business

- a) Rich Kroll, KI7LFD, was introduced as the newly appointed Training Coordinator. Rich presented his training ideas and passed around a list of training subjects for members to indicate their interests for training at upcoming meetings. Members could also add additional training subjects they were interested in.
- b) Warren Weber, gave a brief introduction on repeater functions for members preparing for amateur testing and reminded the group that there will be a testing session next Saturday and provided time and location details
- c) Shannon Mossman, W6SPY reported on the new POCRG frequency load and gave an explanation of the changes. The new load and listing is available on the downloads section of the POCRG web page.
- d) Saundra Curteman, WRNM841 gave a report on the POCRG GMRS Net and reminded the group to check in.
- e) Rich Kroll, KI7LFD suggested that the club look into insurance for any issues that might arise from club activities. A motion was raised and seconded. Rich will look into the issue and report back.
- f) The next meeting was discussed and January 15, the third Saturday was agreed upon. Warren Weber suggested meetings be held bimonthly alternating with a testing session. Interest will drive the testing sessions.

VII. For the Good of the Club

- a) Door prize drawing was held with the Baoefeng UV5 radio going to Scott Hanley and the set of amateur radio books going to Ronne Curteman. Saundra took custody and offered to share the books with the club members.
- b) Shannon Mossman, W6SPY programed radios with the new POCRG frequency load for those that had their radios.

VIII. Adjournment

a) Warren Weber, N7WEB, adjourned the meeting at 11:35.