

Elkhorn Valley Amateur Radio

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> December 14, 2024 Monthly Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 8:31 by club President Shane Flanagan.

Members present:, Dave – WBOYXH, Sonja – KAOEZA, Gene – WOGLF, Shane – KEOAPG, , Andy – KFOCSI, Aaron – KTOQ, Dale – WBOCNY, Terry KFOATX, Monty – NROA, Ron – NOZQR.

The Minutes were read by Aaron. Monty made a motion to accept. Ron seconded. It was carried by the club.

The Treasurers Report was read by Aaron. A motion was made by Monty to accept. Dave B. seconded. It was carried by the club.

Committee Reports

Testing Committee – Our next testing session will be at on February 15th at the Library. Testing is planned for 1:15pm. VE's should let Monty know they will be there and arrive by 1:00pm

Repeater Reports – We are having some issues with the computer at the 440 site. We believe we have it isolated to a Windows security issue. Aaron will attempt to reinstall and change some settings. There have been some challenges with the 73 repeater on the Nebraska hub. Our signals are good, but the signals coming in from other locations are not. This is somewhat due to digital to analog and analog to digital conversion loss. There may not be an easy solution to this issue.

Old Business

Ham Fest – Ham Fest was a huge success. The club sold 22 tables, and there were 112 in attendance. During the testing, 2 people passed their technician tests. There was also unsuccessful attempts at the general exam and a tech exam.

New Business

Dues are due by the January meeting. Aaron will hold off sending out letters until after the January meeting.

During the tower climb to clean up the stub tower, the crew noted there were some issues with the hardline and antenna for the 440 repeater. We will see about obtaining a report from the company with more information. As a result of this conversation we realized we don't have lightning protection on the repeaters at the site. Shane made a motion we spend up to \$250 to purchase 2 lightning arresters. Dave Seconded. It was carried by the club.

Winter Field Day – This is scheduled for January 25th and 26th. Shane will host at his house. We will discuss further at the January meeting.

Club elections

Executive Team - Sonja made a motion to nominate Shane Flanagan as President, Andy Johnson as Vice President, and Aaron Mathis as Secretary/Treasurer. This was seconded by Ron. All three were unanimously elected to another term.

Board of Directors – Ron made a motion that the expiring members of the board, Sonja Burt and Terry Rasmussen, be nominated to another term. This was seconded by Shane. Sonja and Terry were unanimously elected to another term.

We will be implementing an inclement weather list. Aaron will be compiling a list of cell numbers for members.

Dale won split the pot today. The total was \$13.

Future Dates

January Meeting – Saturday January 11th Winter Field Day – January 25th and 26th Testing – February 15th

Meeting Adjourned at 9:58 am.

Respectfully Submitted, Aaron Mathis, KTOQ Treasurer/Secretary