

Camp Wilderness Amateur Radio Club
Annual Meeting Minutes
April 30, 2011

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Members in Attendance: Brad Olson, Andy Kietzman, Ron Schneider, Brandon Wehner

The first agenda item for this year's meeting was discussing the progress towards the tower project at Camp. We had approximately \$2600 in our account for the project before this past week. The NLC Properties Committee approved money from the Camp Brick Campaign being used towards the tower project at their most recent meeting, and will be able to commit \$2400 at this time towards the project. Future contributions to the Brick Campaign fund will be put towards the tower project until it is completed.

The project is estimated to cost about \$7000, which leaves us about \$2000 short at this time. We will be pursuing additional donations, and all donors will be able to get a brick in the courtyard at Camp, including those who have already donated to the project, if they so desire.

The second agenda item was brought up by Brad. He was looking for a recommendation from the club that he purchase a radio from the Camp's program budget to outfit the Ranger's truck / house with a radio and was looking for suggestions on what type to get. After discussing mobile vs. handheld radios, it was decided that a mobile radio would be most beneficial because if anything is going on, the Ranger is usually with his truck, and it would be too cumbersome to carry 2 radios around, if he were to have a handheld. The mobile would need to be mounted in a way that it could be removed from the truck and connected to a power supply / antenna inside the house when it was being used from that location.

President's Note:

Due to a last minute change in meeting time, Les & Barb Herbranson showed up at Camp after the meeting. After a discussion with them, I learned that Les & Wayne had talked about the possibility of putting up a telephone pole as a temporary tower until we can raise the funds for the concrete needed to put up our tower. Although this would give us a temporary tower, and after talking with Brad, it would reduce or eliminate the possibility of ever being able to put up the tower we currently have. It would also cost approx. \$500 according to Brad for Al Czezoc to dig the hole, put up the pole and attach the antennas.