## Sun City Center Amateur Radio Club Board Meeting January 29, 2025

## **Board of Directors**

President, Joel Bahl KQ0J Vice President, Rick Sochon N1OV Treasurer, Leonard Boyer KQ4LJG Secretary, Judy Wozniak K4WOZ Emergency Coordinator, Rick Sochon N1OV Station Trustee, Pat Masterson KE2LJ

Joel Bahl, President, called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM.

Joel stated that the grant for antenna projects has been received. Need to plan for removal and replacement.

Sales were successful at Plant City and other sales. We are about out of equipment to sell. We will have a combined meeting in March with KPARC at our location. There will be a guest speaker.

The club will have a table for Fun Fest and we have a few volunteers for an informational table. Joel would like to make lunch for the volunteers – hot dogs, refreshments and something simple to eat. Might be nice to have a demo radio out at the table.

CERT is welcome to use our room if they will again be providing visibility out in the area and we can use our GMRS radio to communicate with them.

Joel will look into ARRL handouts we have not refreshed these for a couple of years now. We have plenty of business cards.

**Treasurer Report:** Leonard reported the Treasury Balance is \$4,661.74.

**New Business:** Vertical antenna bent but usable. It needs to be taken down and replaced if possible. May need new coax run if we get a new antenna because it is old and should be replaced. Joel removed the unneeded section of coax from the old Gap Titan antenna which was outside the shack.

Ultimax Wire antenna is working well needs a bit of tightening again.

Need to schedule a day to investigate issues with 12VDC battery backup system i.e. voltage drop etc.

We had a donation of 2 new AGM batteries that could be put in service instead of the current older lead acid deep cycle batteries.

ALS-1300 Amplifier repaired and is out of service for now until antenna repairs finished. New AL-811 is in service and will be run at half power. Faulty grid current meter needs to be replaced.

Need to source new beam. Pat Masterson has a TH3 that we can have. It needs to be inventory and inspect this to see if it is good enough to erect.

Members meeting Wednesday February 5 at 2 PM in the Florida Room. The topic will be FCC systems and license renewals.