Sun City Center Amateur Radio Club Minutes General Membership Meeting, July 1, 2014

Meeting was called to order in Community Hall at 2:00 PM by President Rick Sochon, N1OV. Rick then led us in the pledge of allegiance. The Invocation was then given by Rick also.

Attendance - 19

Treasurer's Report - \$ 3467.61 in the bank.

Secretary's Report -

The minutes from the last meeting and Board Meeting are posted on the club website.

Station Manager Report -

Bob Goldberg said the repeater is working fine.

The Amp still needs to be check out.

New test is scheduled to start today for the Technician License.

Extra and General's that have lapsed license can now take the Technician test and if passed they will be reinstated.

The 2014 hurricane season is expected to be below normal activity.

Presidents Remarks -

Rick asked if we had any new visitors or first time attendees.

It was also mentioned the club has asked for a grant from the Community Association for a new surveillance camera for the club room, repeater repairs and an antenna analyzer.

Rick and Bob Goldberg appeared on CBS news on the use of amateur radio in emergencies.

ARES TRAINING

Get the training we need on ICS 100, 200, and 700 from FEMA.gov in case we have to interact with other groups on Incident Command System.

The POD is moving from Prince of Peace Church to the Save A Lot parking lot.

Monitor the club repeater during severe storms in SCC. We had two lanai roofs blow down in the storm last Friday. An antenna at the club station was also damaged.

Tonight's ARES/RACES training will be how real time messages are handled in a hurricane.

Jim Key gave a report on how well Field Day went and how well organized they were. Bob Goldberg added his comments that this was a great practice for all.

Comments from members.

Carl McGary talked about how the ARRL is trying to get them to permit amateur radio antennas in HOA Associations.

Ladies Dinner Announcement.

Deya said we will be going to Bob Evans at 4:30 PM

Program - Human trafficking by Camelia McGary

Meeting next month the first Tuesday at 2 PM in room 5 of Community Hall