



Rural Radio Preparedness Association

Milton, FL

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Rural Radio Preparedness Association- Conference Call- Microsoft Teams

Meeting Minutes for September 29, 2020

- **Meeting opening at 6:00PM**
 - Prayer
- **Secretary Report: Josie (WD4DCL)**
 - Minutes were sent out through email to review and electronically sign.
- **Treasury Report: John (KM4FJM)**
 - John unable to attend meeting. No updates at this time.
 - Tax Exempt form for the state of Florida was filed. Waiting for response.
 - Money from E911 grant has been deposited.
 - Grant from Ascend for \$3,500.
 - General talking about purchasing a communication trailer.
 - Larry to follow up with John on reimbursement for Franklin.
- **President's Topics: Arc (W4CPD)**
 - Thankful for Ascend grant
 - Ascend to donate all old radio equipment to the club.
 - Pace 220 repeater- waiting for Arc's tower to be completed.
 - Jeff Bookout has ability for us to gain access for 440 repeater on tower across from La Hacienda, in Pace. He will donate hard line and the commercial antenna.
 - Waiting to hear about water tower in Pace. Hold up from hurricane and paperwork from lawyers
Will need a workday, once acquired
Spare Bridgecom repeater may be available
- **Vice President's Topics: Larry (N4CBS)**
 - Has not been to bank to get new card
 - Joe to possibly climb tower to help change/establish better coverage. Waiting for Joe to call/schedule- maybe within next 30 days.
- **Open Action/Follow-up**
 - Follow up with Jay. Make Sure that we are okay with staying at water tower
 - Copy & email signed and official licenses of Chris and David to Arc.
 - Sign agreement with Pace Water System
- **Range/Division Reports**
 - Santa Rosa County, FL- Arc (W4CPD)-
 - 2 passed at last meeting for technician license.
 - Covington County, AL- Allen (KG4CNA)
 - Things going well.
 - Escambia County, AL- Larry (N4CBS)
 - Did not activate for Hurricane Sally.
 - Another radio club has started in Brewton.
 - SKYWARN- Joe (KN4CCW)-
 - RACES- Larry (N4CBS)-
 - Did not activate for Hurricane Sally.
- **Technical Operations/Repeaters: Arc (W4CPD)**

- **Training/VE: Larry (N4CBS)**
 - Santa Rosa and Covington- both offer testing at each meeting
- **Website & Social Media- Arc (W4CPD)**
 - Everything going well
- **Activities- Arc (W4CPD)**
 - Hurricane Sally activation- benefit was spending time with emergency management officials throughout the storm.
 - SkyWarn- Arc had access to WeatherChat.
 - Maintained EchoLink throughout storm and power outages.
 - General talk about overview of storm, radio coverage, fusion.
- **Old Business:**
- **New Business:**
 - Arc (W4CPD) makes a motion, while Arc Thames (W4CPD) is in a leadership role with RRPA and SRC ARES team as Emergency Coordinator, makes SRC ARES members- honorary, non-voting members of RRPA. To extend insurance coverage for all, while Arc (W4CPD) is in leadership position in both organizations.
 - Larry (N4CBS) second the motion.
 - Vote is unanimous.

Arc (W4CPD) makes motion to close meeting

Larry (N4CBS) second the motion

Vote is unanimous

Meeting Concludes at 6:35PM