N7LGN Amateur Radio Club

25 September 2024 - Minutes for the General Meeting

Meeting Location: American Legion Hall Post 113, 22 W. Broadway Ave., Meridian, Idaho

Meeting: Richard Dees called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Officers Present: President: Rich Dees, Vice President David Hunter; Secretary/Treasurer: Alicia Bunnell

Introduction of Attendees: (10 Present) Rich Dees W7BOI, David Hunter N7MKY, Alicia Bunnell W7YUT, Jonathan Hoffmeier KE0JRH, Chuck Crooks W7CSC, Dean Bunnell W7DBX, Preston Gilliam NR6L, Tim Blodgett KK7UBI, Dave Gipson KC9EI, James Roethig K7IDO

Reading of Minutes: Previous meeting minutes were posted and read. Motion approved and seconded.

Treasurer's Report: \$2,327.94 Alicia reported the financials for the period ending August. Motion approved and seconded.

Committee Reports:

- Repeater: David reported the repeater is working great. He encouraged everyone to download echo link software.
- Nets: Rich reported the following:
 - 1) 94 Net Meets on Thursdays at 7:00 PM on 146.94
 - 2) Simplex Net Meets on Thursdays at 7:30 PM on 147.420
 - 3) Net Control Operators Volunteers are needed. Rich weeks 1 and 2; Kevin week 3; Jonathan Week 4.

Activities/Announcements:

- September 29: "Quarterly Elmer in the House". Sunday at 2 pm. Bart Hill presentation on Go Kit
- October 19: Ham Test Time: 10 am. RSVP required No Walk-Ins; contact Rich Dees
- October 23: Next N7LGN Ham Club Meeting Wednesday at 7 pm (pizza at 6:45 pm)
- November 16: Ham Test Time: 10 am. RSVP required No Walk-Ins; contact Rich Dees
- November 28: Thanksgiving No Club Meeting
- December 18: "Christmas Party, White Elephant Potluck" Wednesday at 6 pm
- December 21: Ham Test Time: 10 am. RSVP required No Walk-Ins; contact Rich Dees
- January 18: Ham Test Time: 10 am. RSVP required No Walk-Ins; contact Rich Dees
- January 19: "Quarterly Elmer in the House" Sunday at 2 pm
- January 22: Next N7LGN Ham Club Meeting Wednesday at 7 pm (pizza at 6:45 pm)
- January 25, 2025 Winter Field Day Potluck; to be hosted by David and Annette

Presentation: No Specific Topic. Rich opened the meeting to see if there were any topics of interest for future meetings. Antenna topic was mentioned for the next Quarterly Elmer in the House; everyone agreed that would be a good topic. Winter Field Day was announced - David N7MKY mentioned equipment will be available for field day. He also mentioned some equipment was sold and the monies will be used towards N7LGN's purchase of new equipment. A motion was made and seconded to purchase new equipment for the N7LGN club: Yaesu. duplexer, cables and jumpers. Note: At the N7LGN's July meeting, a motion passed unanimously to purchase new equipment for the club. Dave Gipson KC9EI volunteered to do a presentation on "Designing and Building Band-Pass Filters" for Field Day at our October meeting. Rich mentioned ARRL paid \$1 million ransom, plus costs to restore the ARRL system; the insurance policy largely covered the costs. Alicia will email members starting late October to sign up for the Christmas Potluck.

Business:

- Quarterly Elmer in the House. Sunday at 2 pm to be held day after the Ham Test.
- Net Control Operators: Need Volunteers contact Rich Dees.
- TALRAC Sunday evenings at 8 pm on echo link.

New Business:

- ARRL Dan Marler is running for Director position reminder for ARRL members to vote.
- Matt Wrobel W7LGN shipped eleven (11), HT 1000 to the American Legion in Puerto Rico for Emergency.

Give Away Drawing: None

Presentation for October: "Designing and Building Band-Pass Filters for Field Day" by Dave Gipson KC9EI

Meeting Adjourned at: 7:55 PM

Secretary: Alicia Bunnell W7YUT