

Four States Amateur Radio Club  
October 3, 2020  
Meeting On the Air

President Charles Mackey (KF5VAA) started the club meeting on the 146.62 repeater.

The President asked Robert Ward (N5TXK) to open the meeting with a prayer and pledge to the flag.

The president called for a roll call of operators receiving the meeting: AA5VE, KF5VAE, WB5BYV, KI5BZO, KX5FUZ, KI5JIC, N5TXK, KF5VAA, KF5BOC, KG5MVX, and KF5VWN.

President asked the club secretary for the minutes to the last meeting. Robert Ward (N5TXK) reviewed the minutes of the September 5, 2020, club meeting. Member Eric Richards (KI5BZO) made a motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting with David Glenn (KF5VAE) making the second to the motion.

President asked the treasurer, David Glenn (KF5VAE), to give the treasurer report for this month. David Glenn reported that the club has \$ 8,494.08 total in both accounts. There are 52 dues paying members that make up the club. Club member Charlie Conkey (KG5MVX) made a motion to accept the report. His motion was seconded by Carl Nyman (AA5VE).

The President asked Arthur Christy (KF5VWN) to give a report on the repeaters and D-Star. Arthur Christy stated that the 146.62. machine was doing great. He stated that an operator in Mt. Pleasant talked directly through the repeater. He also stated that the D-star was getting out great. There are about 12 people using D-Star. The tower is blocking the output signals in the direction of Magnolia. Arthur Christy brought out that the part of the website that helps with log in, PayPal, and in the restricted areas where the pictures and contacts are was installed in the website when it was first set up and is needing an update. When it was installed it was free but to upgrade the function is going to cost the club \$200 to \$300. This action is a new charge to the club which is needing an acceptance vote from the club, due to the amount of money that it will use. This meeting did not have a quorum to vote on the additional monies.

President brought out that the club meeting at the Sportsman's Cove was great and everyone enjoyed the food and fellowship. President recognized David Glenn (KF5VAE) for suggesting the location and preparing the food.

President announced to the club that the gun raffle and the swap meet was delayed until next year due to the Covid-19 Virus.

After the President opened the mic to anyone wanting to say anything about what has been brought before the club Greg English spoke up and requested that the information for what will be voting on be placed in the news letter. The President stated that it was a good idea and Arthur Christy stated that he would remember to place it in the newsletter.

President stated that the next meeting will be on November 7<sup>th</sup> and will be probably on the air also. The November meeting will be when we accept nominations for the club officers for the next year. The angel tree and who will be working it this year will also be discussed. The Salvation Army Bell Ringers will need to be discussed so that we can get folks to ring the bells. The club Christmas Party will be

discussed, to where it will take place and the date/time. The Toys for Tots program will be discussed as to who will help with the toy distribution.

The president opened the mic up for discussion and David Glenn (KF5VAE) stated that he will try and get the Sportsman's Cove again if the Chuckwagon location is not seating more than 10 people.

President opened the mic up for anyone to comment on this or anything before the club. Clarence Shilling (WB5BYV) keyed up and stated that a group in Mt. Pleasant was wondering when will a license class be offered again. They stated that they would offer the location in Mt. Pleasant for the class. There are several facts that will need to be looked at for this class.

Eric Richards (KI5BZO) stated that he had dirt for anyone that will need it.

The president asked for a motion to close the meeting. David Glenn (KF5VAE) made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Greg English (KG5BOC) made a second to the motion. The president adjourned the meeting.