

CARA Minutes  
May 7 2012

Attendees: 25

The meeting was open at 7:00pm with Kurt KF7PDV preceding we did the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Charles K4AFNA was the other officer present. Pat KD7HAB was taking minutes since the secretary was the acting President. Since the President and Vice-President were out of town. Charles gave the financial report from the hamfest it will be posted.

Hamfest final profit was \$1,908.25 this is after everything was deducted. List of ham that helped with the hamfest Pat KD7HAB, Bob N7INK, Charles K4AFN, Bill N7NIL, Rich AA7RH, Kurt KF7PDV, Mike AD7HZ, Sid W7JSD, Lee KD7OED, Chuck N7DQS, Peggy KC7LCE, Jeff KD7UOP, Wendell AB4LE, Juanita KK7WA, RB K7HVV, Chip KE4UQG, Mike N7ZGO, Dale NJ7C & Nancy KE7PCX

#### Hamfest report

We had a good hamfest I would like to receive an after action report from everybody that either work or just attended the hamfest if you have any suggestion for next year put them in your report PLEASE. We had 3 people take the test for the first time or upgraded.

A letter went out from Grant on things that need to be done and tonight we are voting on them. Here is a list from the letter that Grant sent out. From the BoD that were recommended.

#### BoD recommended Projects for 2012:

\* Purchase a 20' steel shipping container for improved security of high value items stored at Green Acres. This container could also provide space for one CARA operating position during an emergency.

\* Improve security of Larson hall and add an additional operating station. We have an estimate in hand to secure Larson hall for \$3458. This would permit setting up operating positions on a permanent basis which would be available for immediate use by members, for contesting, conducting training, and to provide emergency communications. The hall would continue to be available for our meetings and training and provide an excellent facility for use as an alternate Cochise County EOC as is our charter with the County.

- Accelerate disposal of the two house trailers located on the site. Disposal of the trailers is required by the CARA site development plan by December 2014. To meet that requirement, CARA BoD has been in contact with a contractor who will remove the trailers at no cost to CARA. As the contractor will move the trailer off-site to dismantle them, Cochise County has approved CARA to proceed.
- Continue with the needed maintenance of Larson Hall, specifically to caulk and paint the exterior walls.
- Continue with needed repairs on our repeaters, antennas and towers.
- Continue with the testing and installation of the repeater on Mt. Bernardino.
- Install a water harvesting system beginning with capturing water off the bathroom roof. If this proves successful, other water harvesting systems could be installed for the Ramada and Larsen Hall.

For optimum results, the first 3 projects on this list should be accomplished concurrently to ensure achievement of goals set forth in the Management Plan. Projects will be accomplished based on availability of resources specifically, volunteers, material, skills and funds.

Mike N7ZGO made the motion to go forward with the Club plans, Bill N7BIL 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion 19 for 5 against.

Dale NJ7C made the motion to purchase of a 40' [yes, that's a change] shipping container, cost approx \$6k with a side door, and two roof turbine vents, painted and delivered. Chuck N7DQS 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion APPROVED

2. removal of both mobile homes at no cost to CARA - APPROVED

Bill N7BIL made the motion to secure Larsen Hall, as proposed, approx. \$3800. RB K7HV 2<sup>ND</sup> the motion It was APPROVED

Bill N7BIL Talked about the rainwater harvesting Dale NJ7C made a motion to do the rainwater harvesting and to not exceed \$1200 we have approx[\$500 budget, \$400 donatation, \$250 left over from restroom door project] Mike B. KC7GTY 2<sup>ND</sup> the motion this was APPROVED

Bill N7BIL is in charge of Field Day on June 23 & 24 2012. He needs people to sign up to come out & work the different stations.

Wendell announced that there will be a foxhunt on Saturday June 12<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am to 11:00am.

It was mentioned that new memberships card are going to be given out to those that pay there dues.

There will be certificates of appreciation given out to members that have done something that the clubs wants to say thanks to the first ones go out to Dale NJ7C, Ted K9TED for doing the SMOKE AND TO Ken WA7UIM for doing the web page.

RACES:

The RACES group went out to Coronado Elementary School with the MCU for their carnival and we set the MCU up and had it open for a tour. We had about 200 to 250 people come threw the MCU and while we were there we tested the GEN-TEC which is a system to keep the exhaust out of the MCU and it work very well. On May 12<sup>th</sup> the RACES

