Green Valley Amateur Radio Club Board Meeting Minutes

A meeting of the Board of the Green Valley Amateur Radio Club was held on 30 April 2024 at 1 PM.

In attendance were board members:

Gene Short, N8ELA; Rick Rogers, K7RCR; Ron Phillips, AA7RP; Tom Lang, K7VOA; Dave Bowen, N7DMB.

Also in attendence were:

Tom Smith, K7AFA; Jon Otto, AD7GS

President Gene welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending.

Old Business:

Chamber of Commerce

Preseident Gene informed the Chamber the club will not be renewing its membership.

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Dain Webster, K7SXN is coordinating the event.

ARRL Field Day

FD is 22-23 June. While no one has stepped up to coordinate plans are moving forward. Tom Lang will contact Linda Boeck about coordinating food. The GVFD room has been reserved.

New Business

Special Event at Titan Missile Museum on 6 May. Tom Lang is coordinating.

Winlink Gateway Antenna Replacement

Rick said he has been having issues connecting to the WL gateway lately. He had discussed it with Mike Bass, WA9TKK. Mike said while he has not had any issues and no one else has mentioned anything he said it may be time to replace the antenna as the one that's up there now is the old repeater antenna and was not in the best shape to start with. Rick asked Mike to come up with a good, better, best list of possible replacements for submission to the board. Rick noted in a recent Red Cross exercise the WL gateway was used and in an outage would probably be used to support EMCOMM in southern AZ. It is imporatant the gateway be reliable. After discussion the board said to apply for an ARCA grant first and pending the results of the grant application will consider funding whatever the grant does not cover.

NOTE: After the meeting Rick spoke to Mike and Mike will prepare the application and coordinate submission with President Gene.

There was discussion about not having club meetings for the summer. For June rather than not having a meeting Jon suggested having an ice cream social. No decision was made but will be.

Gene discussed HOA's and antennas. Comments were made about the map John Lynn had sent out showing the number of hams in the area.

The next board meeting will be 4 June at 1 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:50 PM.