

Minutes ARE August 12, 2015

General Meeting called to order at 19:00 by James WJ2K

Members Present: James WJ2K, Chris KE5KPC, Bob KE5JO, Pete KC5IMZ, Ruben WP4KSP, Archie K5ABZ, Dick K5SHT

Minutes: Pete made a motion to accept the July meeting minutes, seconded by James. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: For the period of 7-1-15 to 7-31-15. The balance of the account is \$1298.21. Pete made a motion, seconded by Ruben, motion passed.

Events: New member and renewal class for RACES is August 22, 2015. Go to www.tarrantraces.org to sign up.

Club social is August 24 at 6pm at Fudruckers on 183 and Forest Ridge.

Cowtown Classic bike ride September 12. Go to www.tarrantraces.org to sign up.

Joint Club meeting September 26 at 9am at the Joint EOC in Fort Worth. 275 W. 13th St. Fort Worth, TX 76102.

Business: Quarterly EOC radio test was on Aug 8. It went well and we found out that one of the repeaters was not working.

James mentioned that we had a silver alert in Euless and CERT was called to help. James and Frank Knox KS5F found out that our repeater was unable to be hit from Bear Creek Park.

James did a bit of research on how we can improve the coverage. We are looking at trying to put up a 30 foot mast on the roof of PD to see if we can improve coverage. We are also researching for other locations to put the repeater. We will have to have the city's permission to be able to move it. The city also may put up a tower and we have been offered a place on the tower.

Chris will send in the information to put us on the list for a 2m repeater pair.

James proposed that ARE begin development of a Technician license class for CERT team members. James has applied for Registered Education Provider certification from the ARRL. This will give us access to education materials.

We are having a tech class prep session on September 19 at 9am at the EOC. This will be to set up the class and work out how to accomplish the class.

Contact Chris KE5KPC if you want to take a license test at ke5kpc@gmail.com.

Motion to adjourn was made by Ruben 20:04 seconded by Dick. Motion passed.

Minutes are submitted by: Chris Shanahan KE5KPC EARC Treasure