

Cochise Amateur Radio Association
P.O. Box 1855, Sierra Vista. A Z. 85636
Cara membership meeting minutes
3 January 2011

CALLED TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 1900 hours on 3 January, 2011 by Cara President Dale Chidester N J7C. Members proceeded with the pledge of allegiance and introductions. 25 members were present.

SECRETARIES REPORT:

A motion was moved and approved to accept the November minutes as printed in the smoke the motion was passed on a voice vote. No minutes were taken for December as no meeting was held due to the CARA Christmas party.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Paul Angelo KD 7TDL gave the following financial report:

Current balance: Checking	16,879.34
Current balance: Savings 4,	127.60
Current balance: CDs	8,379.13
Total Balance:	\$29,386.07
Reserved for HF antenna fund:	1,803.24
Reserved for life member fund	2,705.00
Reserved for EMCOM fund	2,565.31
Reserved for repeater fund	2,395.20
Total reserve	9,460.75
Current operating balance	\$19,917.32

PROGRAM:

The program was given by Charles Campbell K4AFN on "Winter Emergency Preparedness". It was a wonderful program, with a lot of great information.

ELECTIONS:

The vice president and treasure were up for re-election. Mike McNeil would re-run for the position of Vice President and Charles Campbell would run for Treasure. Not hearing any further nominations the nominations were closed. Lee Idle in recognition to Paul Angelo, commended him on serving for the past eight years.

Due to no further nominations it was moved and seconded through acclamation that Mike McNeil and Charles Campbell be elected. The motion was moved and passed on a voice vote.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

The July meeting is on the first Monday, which is the Fourth of July; I would like a motion to move our meeting to 11 July. The motion was made, seconded and passed on a voice vote.

Bird Flight Diverters:

We still need to finish the lower guy's on the north and south tower, we hope to have this done next Saturday weather permitting and we can use help.

Larsen Hall Roof we still need to put 500 to 700 more screws into the sheet metal to the roof to meet the hundred mile per hour specification. We will need help to complete this task.

Step IR Installation will be proceeding now that we have the bolts.

Vee Beam I installed a 9 to 1 Balun because we could not get it to dip using MFJ tuner. work very nicely with the ICOM with the auto tuner we are able to get it down 1 to 1.

140-foot tower and the 40 m beam is on hold until all lease stipulations are completed.

Well and dumb station had been secured by BLM with a padlock so we have no access to the water shutoff
New doors for the latrine money has been approved we just need to get them and put them in.

Ham Fest Co-Chair Ken KF7IYQ and Cherie KF7IYO have agreed to co-chair the ham Fest May 7 this year so please give them all the help you can. In reference to prizes if anyone has any suggestions in reference to prizes you can give them two Ken so we can get the list together and can bring it up at the next board meeting, then get the Flyer put together.

Old Pueblo 50 we have been asked to do this again, Dale NJ7C has a sign-up sheet we will need a lot of people for this event, this will be March 5, would like to have two people at a station and six people for the MCU.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: No Report

MEMBER AT LARGE: No Report

RACES REPORT: Bob Hollister N7INK

We had another good month ending up with 126 hours and for the year we ended up with 2028 hrs. Beating last year's total of 1746 hrs.

We are going to have a Blue Eagle exercise, this is where we send people to different areas assigned in case of an emergency, the purpose of this exercise is to go and check out the pre-installed equipment we will do this on 15 January.

Last year the Christmas parade went great, a great turnout we had a couple small things that we have to look at for next year and they want us to come back next year.

ARCA: Bob Hollister N7INK

State convention will be in Yuma this year. Williams will be having a ham Fest in July.

TECHNICAL REPORT:

Not much to report. Still working on the antenna. Hoping to get it up some time in January. Bob N7INK will be going up with Joe Montir with EARS do a survey on the tower to locate space this Wednesday.

CONTESTING:

Nothing till May but we do have the Intentional DX the 3ed weekend of March

WEB MASTER:

Web site is all up to date. The thank you letter from the parade is posted and the photos are also posted do anything posted send me an e-mail

CARA NET REPORT:

We had a good experience last week 146 was down and we had the use 147.02 and we had more check ins than we have on the 146 We still need more net control operators. Thanks for the participation if you have anything bring it to the net and shared with everyone.

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

50/50 Drawing:

Cup--- Mike won the cup

Cash-- Ed won the cash.

Next Meeting: Monday 7 January 1900 hrs

Adjourned at 2025 hrs