

South Alabama Radio Club

March 21, 2013

MEMBERS PRESENT WERE:

John KE4HIE (President), Pat Henagan (KG4LNX) treasurer, Larry KF4GRA (Secretary), and Debra KF4BOR.

John Brown called the meeting to order at 7:14 PM

MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING:

The minutes for the last meeting were read. Pat made a motion to accept the minutes and Debra seconded. The minutes were approved.

TREASURE REPORT: Pat reported the following balance as of February 28, 2013 \$536.89. Joe's check for Tower rent will be paid. Chris Johns paid dues. Debra made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. John seconded. The treasurer's report was approved.

OLD BUSINESS

- John clarified the antenna situation at the E-911 center and EOC. At the E-911 center the following antennas are on the tower: a Ringo ranger, X5-10 and a Ringo. A bracket for an HF dipole is still there at the E-911 center.
- At the EOC currently there is 1 dual band antenna on the tower. Susan will purchase another x5-10 for the EOC. A copper j-pole is mounted on a pole outside of Susan Haris' office.
- John KE4HIE and Bob KI4RWL installed the 707 and power supply, 2820 D-star radio and 3 vhf radios in the new location at the EOC. The radios need to be programmed but they are usable. There is an 80 meter dipole on site but no bracket and pulley to pull up the dipole.
- In preparation for the Emergency Preparedness Expo on Saturday, March 9, 2013, John, Debra, Pat and Jeff Mills along with members of OARC set up tables and connected coax to antennas.
- John, Pat, Jeff and Allen Scofield got Pat's 45 ft hot stick up and contacted Texas, South Florida, Atlanta, Carolinas and Tennessee. . Susan told John and others that a little over 500 visitors came through the gate. Jacob and Richard manned the OARC table with ARRL materials.

HAMFESTS

- Mobile in April
- Greenville May 4th
- Milton July 19,20
- Huntsville August 16-17th

Field day is June 22-23rd. We will be at Sweet Home Alabama Campground again this year. Pat will check to make sure we have the club house. John will contact Malcolm about the Friday night meal. Pat will bring boston butt and beans. We need coax for the field day antennas. Menu for Saturday will be hamburgers and hotdogs.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted by

Larry DeFilippi (KF4GRA), Secretary