

Green Valley Amateur Radio Club Board Meeting Minutes

A meeting of the Board of the Green Valley Amateur Radio Club was held on 2 April 2024 at 1 PM.

In attendance were board members:

Gene Short, N8ELA; Rick Rogers, K7RCR; Ron Phillips, AA7RP; Bruce Tewksbury, K3BAT; Tom Lang, K7VOA; Dave Bowen, N7DMB.

Also in attendance were:

Tom Smith, K7AFA; Mike Nestor, KL7KTP

President Gene welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending.

Old Business:

Hamfest 2025

The date for the 2025 hamfest was proposed to be 22 February 2025. Dave made a motion and Tom seconded the motion and it was unanimously passed. It was also proposed the setup time be moved to 7 AM and the hours be from 8AM – noon. The hours will be firmed up when the committee is formed in the July time frame. Rick will notify ARCA to get the hamfest on the schedule when the hours are determined.

Donated Equipment Disposal

The club has had some equipment donated and it was proposed by Gene to auction the equipment off at the club meeting. There was also discussion whether there should be a minimum bid required. Upon further discussion it was decided to not require a minimum bid as the object is to dispose of the equipment not to make money for the club. There was additional discussion of what to do with items that did not sell at the last club meeting. Gene has contacted the Boy Scouts and asked if they were willing to accept the items. The response was yes and Rick made a motion to donate these items to the Boy Scouts. It was seconded by Dave and the motion unanimously passed. There was more lengthy discussion of how to deal with donated equipment in the future. Multiple suggestions were made as to how to dispose of donated equipment. It was decided that the club will continue to accept donated equipment and come up with a process to dispose of the equipment. A motion was made by Rick to no longer accept equipment donations and to refer people to other clubs in the Tucson area. The motion did not receive a second and was not voted on. Ron then made a motion that the club will continue to accept donations but will be very select about what is accepted. The equipment will be offered to club members and if it is not taken by a club member will be disposed of by other means. Tom seconded the motion and it passed with one dissenting vote. A process will be developed.

New Business

GV/SAH Chamber of Commerce

The club was a member of the chamber last year and it is time to renew. The renewal cost is \$290 for the next three years and goes to over \$700 after that. As it does not appear to have benefited the club to be a chamber member a motion was made by Rick to not renew our membership. The motion was seconded by Bruce, and was unanimously passed.

Ron was contacted by Casey, KF7RCS and was told the individual providing the IP address to our SDR equipment at the repeater site is replacing equipment and this will require an IP address change for our equipment. The individual is also interested in installing a 900 MHz repeater and would require installing it in our cabinet and putting the antenna on our tower. The equipment being used for the club SDR will also be replaced. Ron will speak with the individual and report back to the board on the particular requirements.

Ron gave a financial report.

General Fund: \$9003.84

Repeater Fund: \$2427.45

There was informal discussion concerning the Snow Bird Net. Dave will check with Dain, K7SXX.

The next board meeting will be 30 April at 1 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 PM.