

Subject: March 2021 Board Meeting Minutes

Green Valley Amateur Radio Club Board Meeting Minutes

The March meeting of the Board and requested members at large of the Green Valley Amateur Radio Club was held on March 2nd, 2021 at 1:00 P.M. The meeting was convened through video conference due to the pandemic.

Attendees:

John Perlick, K0UM, President
Rick Rogers, K7RCR, Vice President
Gary Carroll, W0QN, Treasurer
Jeanne Crane, KJ7HCP, Secretary
Tom Smith, K7AFA, Past President
Ron Phillips, AA7RP, Director at Large
Bruce Tewksbury, K3BAT, Director at Large

President's Report:

Covid-19 - Vaccinations are being administered at the state level to those age 55 and over.

Dues - Sixty six members have not paid their dues for 2021.

Club station - Rick will serve as a temporary committee chairman, and Ron and Bruce will serve as committee members. We will need four additional committee members and a permanent chairman. Would like to establish good communication between the committee members so efforts are not duplicated. Progress is being made on remoting the club station and an update will be given at the next club meeting.

VP Report:

WinLink - Having a Winlink Gateway requires an authorized representative in the club.

Rick coordinated with Mike Bass and he agreed to accept the duties.

Club station - \$103 will be needed to purchase a used computer.

Treasurer's Report:

Dues - The club currently has 142 members, 66 of them are delinquent in their dues.

The treasurer gave his financial report and the Secretary had nothing to report.

Past President:

Road Clean Up - Will be held on Saturday, March 20th at Taco Bell. Sign up sheet is on the club website. A picnic will follow the Clean Up, and emails with details will be sent.

Classes - We have received enough requests to conduct a Technician class. Three additional volunteers are needed to assist in teaching. Participants who are successful in taking the test with our club will receive a free membership for the year.

Elmer's List - The updated list has been receiving lots of inquiries. Help has been provided with antennas and programming of new hand held radios.

IRS Filing - Tom will assist Gary with filing the correct non-profit forms with the IRS.

Committee Reports:

Technical:

DMR repeater - The repeater conversion kit has not yet arrived.

If the conversion kit works as expected, we will have a repeater with DMR, Fusion and analog capabilities for the cost of about \$200.

Computer - the RAM has been doubled on the computer and a solid state drive installed.

Country Store:

The Country Store has generated an additional \$200 in sales.

Bruce suggested that we consider a flea market next Fall or Winter. This would give us a chance to meet members of other clubs as well as generate additional income. Items to consider would be an appropriate location and the logistics of running a Hamfest type event.

New Business:

A club member generously offered to make digital copies of QST available on the club website. After careful consideration, it was decided that we might be in violation of copyright laws and declined the offer.

Motions: The following motions were made and carried -

Members who are not current on dues by the day following our next monthly club meeting will be removed from the roster.

Mike Bass will be the designated Winlink representative for the club.

A motion was passed to spend \$35 to join the Amateur Radio Council of Arizona (ARCA). This will provide us with valuable contacts and sharing of ideas with other clubs.

Up to \$300 was allotted for repeater equipment and hardware.

An additional \$100 was allotted for the RAM upgrade to the computer.

Up to \$50 was allotted to obtain a wireless access point for the club station.

Donations:

A big "Thank you" to Gary for the donation of a desktop computer to use for Winlink, and also to Mike Bass for his donation of a 24" monitor for the club station.

Jeanne Crane
Secretary, GVARC