

General Meeting Minutes

August 21, 2018

President Peter Winters called the August General Membership of the Gainesville Amateur Radio Society meeting to order at 6:30 PM. at the meeting location in Trinity United Methodist Church. The president then announced that the meeting this month consisted of a tour of the WRUF transmitter site on NW 53rd Avenue. The meeting was dismissed and members asked to carpool to the transmitter site which is just west of NW 43rd Street on NW 53rd Avenue (Millhopper Road).

The club reassembled at 6:48 P.M. at the transmitter site for a guided tour of the transmitter site. The tour was conducted by Bill McClancy of WRUF. Bill's title at WRUF is assistant head of "ITS Support-Technology Advancement Group". He indicates that the short title is "Assistant Chief Engineer of WRUF", working under Rob Carr the chief engineer at WRUF.

The tour was very informative of the operations and workings of broadcast radio behind the scenes of the voices heard on commercial broadcast radio. The club was attentive and many questions were asked and appropriately answered.

The tour lasted approximately an hour and twenty minutes. At the completion of the tour Shannon K4GLM opened the GARS repeater building at the transmitter site and explained the GARS repeater equipment within the building. At the completion of a question and answer period the August General Meeting was dismissed at the repeater site.

Future programs:

September: The neighborhood Ham Radio watch program, presented by Gordon Gibby KX4Z.

October: Open at present.

Respectfully submitted:

Pete Winters W4GHP

For the GARS Secretary