

## **GARS Eboard meeting**

**Called to order July 11<sup>th</sup> 7:04 PM**

Attending: Jeff Capehart, Shanon Boal, Debbie Boal, Bob Guertin, Pete Winters, Vann Chesney, Carol Chesney, John Troupe, & Greg Sporer

**Sickness and health:** Bill Chapman is getting better. Sandy is with Son-in-law. Bill Gilbreath was released from rehab July 2<sup>nd</sup>. Back in Shands July 3<sup>rd</sup>. He is now back at home. He would like a work gang together to help him at his apartment. Carol's chest pains were not cardiac related. Beverly is having a bone spur removed.

## **OFFICER REPORTS**

Webmaster: Will add Facebook link.

ARES report: Got 18 counties reporting in this month's status report. 123 events were reported for over 2000 hours of ARES work. A busy ARES meeting last night. July 20<sup>th</sup> is next lab and lunch for building a power distribution panel. Lunch will happen at Wendy's. Attendees are responsible for purchasing the box from Amazon. The Amazon link is published in the ARES agenda.

Secretary report: Not much correspondence received. WUFT would like us to renew. It would be good if we could help out with fundraising. Perhaps answering phones for a pledge drive or radio discussion. We have made letters of thanks to Gethsemane Lutheran Church and for the FEMORS trailer. Will also send one to Lt. Kevin Rulapaugh for use of the MARC trailer.

Treasurer report: We are solvent. We are starting the period of the year where we spend more than we take in. In July we will pay donation of \$350 to WUFT & WRUF.

VP & repeater trustee report: Will try to get an antenna mounted on the old Waldo school which is located next to the Waldo shelter. July 7<sup>th</sup>. Still getting noise on all 3 VHF machines. It isn't affecting the 850 machine. There was activity at the WUFT site. The gates were open and Pete sited workers with his binoculars.

Paused at 7:50 for Happy Birthday serenade to Abby.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Field Day assessment: The setup did not go as planned. The Mark unit was setup in the wrong spot and couldn't be moved due to a broken winch. Our big concern was heat. A dedicated crew set up the canopy tent. The FEMORS trailer was also a help. We had 8 CW contacts this year. There were a couple errors in the submission that could not be edited. The laptop system Larry left for us worked fine.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

FB link on website: Debbie Boal will submit the club's Facebook link for Bob to add to the club Web page.

July & August presentations: Leland and Bob will present JS8 call. August is still open. Perhaps use provided slide show on antique telegraphy equipment.

Repeater Site equipment: Pete has a large file cabinet from Gary Hunt. There are 2 file cabinets at the repeater site. The AC at the repeater site is aging to the point where we should consider replacing it with 10,000 BTU unit.

Meeting adjourned 8:27 PM