

GARS Eboard meeting Called to order September 7:05 PM

Attending: Shanon Boal, Debbie Boal, Bob Guertin, Vann Chesney, Carol Chesney, John Troupe, Jeff Capehart. and Susan Tipton. Pete Winters called in to the beginning of the meeting.

SICKNESS AND HEALTH:

Carol had some lumps biopsied from her mouth, but she can speak now.

OFFICER REPORTS

Treasurer: The annual donations to WRUF radio (\$240.) and WUFT TV (\$120) were made in August. Additional Insured Certificates for the GARS Picnic, Oct 19th, Veterans Day event, Nov 11th, and Operation Santa Delivery, Dec 7th.

Webmaster: Going to add an ARES link to the club website.

Secretary: Sent thank you letter to Alan West and Jane Dominguez for the Field Day buttons.

Elections committee report:

E-mails have been put on the street inquiring about interest for club officers and e-board members for 2020. Return responses have been running at about 10-12 percent from the general membership. To date, all responses have been negative as to serving. Currently 3 three officers/e-board members have responded affirmatively as to succeeding themselves for 2020.

VP & repeater trustee report: Repeaters are running. The SAR net is questionable. Our priority dropped when Tallahassee node had trouble during Dorian preparations. The cease order for work has been rescinded. . WUFT tower upgrades have not been progressing.

ARES: NF section activated a 1 hour briefing. Activated Level 3 on September 1st, Level 2 on Sept 2. Alachua was only on standby. There no plans to open shelters. Considered a relay between Allachua EOC and Ocala SAR net. If you have issues with the latest proposal regarding digital mode regulations, contact ARRL Southeastern Division Director Greg Sarratt, W4OZK.

OLD BUSINESS

Future presentations- On deck with Greg Sporer to give presentation of old telegraph equipment. Carol and Vann have back up of "Zombie Lights"

Project status updates: Operation Santa has received Insurance certificate

NEW BUSINESS

Larry Rovak built a portable repeater that can be used for functions. It is a 25 Watt repeater programmed with WB2SVB. From Field day, two (out of three) of Larry's laptops were

damaged to the point of not working. We will bring this up to the membership at the general meeting.

October 19th picnic JOTA. Doce Pace KI4SSH asked about our efforts to they could set up a schedule to contact his group.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08