MINUTES OF THE CHILLIWACK AMATEUR RADIO CLUB GENERAL MEETING HELD AT BOUTILIER BUILDING SARDIS ON MARCH 25, 2010

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM

Members in attendance: 15
Guests: 1 – Gail Crawford

RATIFICATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES
There being no corrections, it was moved by John Pierce (VE7 BXN) that the minutes of the last meeting be approved as read
Seconded by Gord Salter (VA7GCS).
Carried

TREASURER'S REPORT:
Phil Scyner (VE7TDD) gave the treasurer's report.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Bonnie Pierce (VA7BXN) stated that she and John Pierce had gone to the insurance company to check on executive insurance and renewal of the mobile trailer. The premium for the executive insurance has not changed and Phil wrote out a check which Bonnie will take to the insurance company.

John Pierce will renew the mobile trailer insurance and then be reimbursed by the Club. He will take last year's insurance in as ICBC has not been sending us a renewal notice. Ken McDermid, the insurance agent, will check to find out why this is not being done.

REPORTS FROM THE COMMITTEES:

EMERGENCY COORDINATOR DIRECTOR:

The recent EOC Exercise went well and proved to be an excellent learning process for all concerned. A post Exercise Report was sent to Jim MacDonald outlining any problems that we had as emergency communicators. See notice board for details.

The movement of our state of the art repeater to Chilliwack Mountain is long over due so I have taken the bull by the horns and arranged for it to be moved rain or shine this Saturday. Key ARC Personnel have been briefed and are available and I have arranged for the bucket equipment to be delivered to the site at 0900 hrs. I have written a directive that indicates who is responsible for what. VE7GL will be in the area so if we need advanced technical advice he will be available

VE7BXN and.VE7HJJ will be do a reconnoiter of the site on Friday and pick up any other equipment needed and hopefully foresee any problems

Finally PEP and the SW Region PREOC are discussing and arguing about frequency allocations. I have sent a brief but precise description of our capability and net works and that our frequencies work perfectly well in our area. Again see notice board for details

DIRECTOR TECHNICAL/MECHANICAL:

Harold Thiessen (VE7HHT) had some questions regarding the installation of the antenna and access to the repeater when it is in place. A discussion followed describing the installation of the antenna and Harold was satisfied with the answers. Jack Jackaman will arrange access to the repeater should Paul (VA7LLB) not be available.

REPORT BY CLUB EVENT COORDINATOR:

Currently there is no club event coordinator. If anyone would like to volunteer for this position, please come forward. Be an active part of the Club.

WEB PAGE/PUBLICITY COORDINATOR:

Ken Long (VE7JU) had nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS

Tom Adrain (VE7XTA) gave a presentation on IRLP during the March 18 Thursday night get together. Following the technical and practical demonstration, Jack Allan (VE7DOJ) presented a Morse code lesson. Roger thanked both members for their presentations.

NEW BUSINESS

There are plans to have an exercise to practice putting up the mobile tower sometime late April, early May. All members are encouraged to attend. A potluck meal will conclude the day's activities.

Elsie Friesen (VA7OMA) has received a certificate from RAC for a course on Emergency Coordination. Congratulations, Elsie.

ADJOURNNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 pm

Moved by: Harold Thiessen (VE7HHT)
Seconded by: Gord Salter (VE7GCS)

Bonnie Pierce
Secretary