Meeting called to order at 7:02 in person and Zoom.

Thanks to Scott, NØOOD, for the use of his Zoom account.

**In attendance:**

Scott Kirstein NØOOD (President)

Jason Walerius KEØIAV (Vice President)

Bill Claypool NUØQ (Treasurer)

~~Rick Allen NØCFL (Board)~~

Patrick McIntyre KD9BBA (Secretary) - Zoom

~~Michael Waldron AEØMW (Board)~~

Mark Globuschutz KØMJG (Board)

Bob Johnson WØSMS (Board)

Ray Harden WØRAY (Board)

Dean Madsen NØXR (Board)

**Review of minutes from June**

* Motion to approve, Bob, Seconded Mark. Approved.

**Treasurer’s Report**

* $23,663.80 combined total between the account and PayPal

**Subcommittee Reports**

* Hamfest - **No update**
  + Look at optional venues? We have consistency at the Fair Grounds
    - Pat to check some other venues
    - Scott to talk to Campbells about being open
    - Talk to Fair Grounds at the first of the year
  + When do we need to start ramping up for next year?
    - Beginning of the year
  + Suggestion to put a “talk-in”/Demo station for hamfest
  + Demo station for the various digital modes
* Education – **No Update**
  + Tech class – Cancelled
  + General class – Cancelled
* Field Day – June 24-25 in 2023 – **No update**
  + Looking for new Field Day chairman
  + Table discussion until begin of next year
* Antenna trailer – **No progress (Unable to understand the conversation on Zoom)**
  + Able to crank up and down.
  + Do not leave tower cranked up.
  + Lower bracket slips so the beam turns (below the rotor)
  + Replace pulleys
  + Figure out maintenance and repair on the existing tower
    - * Need to find a source for the pulleys, need to stabilize clamps on the beam
      * Motion - Dean is authorized to spend up to $250 for repairs to the tower. Can perform maintenance following field day
      * Jason raised motion – Ray seconded
    - Doesn’t go all the way up
    - Safe to operate
    - Lubricate pulleys and tower - verify that the pulleys are working correctly

**Ares Update**

* March 26 – Fight for Air Climb (Sunday)

**Programming**

* Dean to ask Bob (KA0OMM) about doing the solder meeting and post on the website
  + Dean contacted Bob. Soldering is scheduled for Feb, 23
* Nov – Chili feed/Auction, Tues, Nov 22nd
  + Scott and Jason will not be at Chili feed.
  + Treasurer needs help. Asked Pat to assist.
  + 5 roasters and cornbread committed
  + Church is reserved
  + Tues of Thanksgiving week
  + Chip, the auctioneer is reserved
  + Chili feed is handled – Bob is point person that has volunteers to make chili
  + Cans of pop $1.00
  + $8 admission was previous price. Discussion to go to $10.
  + Scott – Motion to raise to $10. Ray seconded. Approved.
  + Surplus radios in Fort DSM basement storage to go to auction – Dean to review
  + Surplus Military radios on the floor in ham station. These are destined for a display in the museum per Matthew.
* Dec – Hilltop restaurant for Christmas party
  + Dec 13 – Scott making reservations, 6:30 Tues
  + Scott will be on vacation. Jason will be running the event.
  + Menu ordering like last year
* Jan – Winlink presentation by Ray – tentative
* Feedback that people actually do look at the Facebook page. Are we going to update with the events?

**Fort Des Moines**

* Matthew Harvey contacted Scott regarding Jamboree on the Air
  + Event at Scout office West Des Moines, 15/16 Sunday
  + Request to Man club station on the Sat 15th. Bob volunteered
  + Oct 15 is one of the busiest days. A number of events happening that day.
  + Discussion of moving the tower back in place but might conflict with needed work in that area.
* Question to Matthew if he is OK with pursuing the planned work. He will review with Jack.
  + Specifically the work that does not involve the tower.
  + Coordinate with Jack regarding the plan. Jack can present to the board for approval. Board meeting is this coming Saturday, Oct 8th
    - Ray to resend the info to Jack and Scott

**Old Fort Des Moines Business**

* Measure height of building for boom lift
* Dennis/Bob sent doc
  + Older doc
  + Board to hammer out issues with club station
  + Access
    - Who should be allowed access, bullet point 2
      * Office hours? Regular scheduled time
      * Key/electronic access
      * Member benefit
      * Goal of having club station?
      * Read mission statement
      * Camera record enter/exit
      * Hamshack key or master key will have access to hamshack
      * Keypad/solenoid break for hamshack
      * Sat 10 – 4 pm
  + Finances
    - Scott – no value in extra dues for use of station
    - $10 cost of key
  + Need to finish antenna projects
    - Will need capital investment for coax, etc
    - Dean – Get coax estimates
* Scott to work on mission statement for next meeting
  + No progress

**New business**

* Skywarn recognition day – Dec 3rd
  + Unable to do any this year due to existing activities
  + Check status of Skywarn at some point
  + Discuss Skywarn appreciation June, ‘23
* Iowa QSO Party?
  + Sept, ’23 discussion whether to participate or not
  + Focus on the activity vs. the points
* Do we really need to organize to participate
  + Probably need to announce/post
  + Need to know when the events are
* Ray attended the rocket launch from the rocketry club that gave a presentation and provided a synopsis of their event.
* Tom Weaver, W0FN, came in an operated the club station for the JOTA, Jamboree On The Air
* 779.92 – Check for antenna parts for the Fort Des Moines, Bill to write a check

**Existing business – No Update**

* Goals
  + Dennis – skeleton outline – email out to the board
  + Agenda for May board meeting to flesh this out
  + Framework around the club station.
  + Board to complete policy and procedures
  + Board to train and have access to club station – Train the trainers
  + Just focus on the club station as this year’s goal

**June 7th**

* Scott did not work on club station mission statement
* Reviewing document – Club Station Summary Report
* Dean – Need some sort of electronic access to the club station
  + Suggested Lockbox solution. Every year the lockbox code is changed
* Scott - Electronic solution involves modification to the “historical” building (striker, control, electricity). Would need The Fort’s board approval also
  + Non-electrified solution. Lockbox is a cost effective solution
* Security that could be controlled.
  + Code could be shared
* How much traffic at the club station envisioned?
  + Unknown
* Ray/Dean/Scott agreed that the lockbox is a favorable solution
* Finances paragraph:
  + Full implementation is not small expense
  + Not in position to set a budget today
  + Club has been supportive of ARES repairs.
  + Repairs – address as a board and support programs, such as club station
  + Club station adds value to the club
  + Discussion of an annualized fee to access club station. Not suggested as a way forward though
  + June club meeting – Make announcement of that donations for the club station would be helpful
* Set continuation board meeting for Wednesday, June 15 7:00 since people were missing. This will be in person and on Zoom.
* Motion to recess till next week – Ray moved, Dean seconded.

**June 15th**

Club Station Access

* Proposed using a lockbox for the key to the building
* Real access is an electronic card system
  + Building mods: wired, control unit, power connection
* Assigned keys that are paid for now. Station Slush fund pays for keys
  + Currently there are 7 keys out
* To gain access need an orientation.
* Need to disarm The Fort Alarm system.
* Group that are responsible for admitting general members into the club station.
* Usage currently is limited. The existing 7 key holders can let people in. If usage grows, re-exam it.
* Gate has a combination lock
* Key only opens the NE door and the door to the shack.
* A station log should exist.
* Club orientation to review operation
* Manual for key pieces of equipment operation such as amp

Dean’s Proposal

* Review list from Dean
* Need to promote the station to gain additional users
* Motion to authorize the purchase of phase 1 of dean’s list subject to museum’s approval not to exceed the 2099.33
  + Bob, mark second
* Scott, pat, bob donations
* Need fort board approval
* Motion carrys, unanimous
* Fort board, Jack needs to be brought in first then he will take it to the board. Timeline unknown at this point but soon. Month??

**Pat motioned to adjourn, Ray seconded, 8:55 adjourned**