

Hernando Co Amateur Radio Association

Meeting of November 8, 2018 Minutes

Recorded by: Ron Wright, N9EE, Secretary

Meeting opened by Bob, KJ4OTC at 1930 hr.

Pledge to Flag, opening prayer.

Attending: 13 members, 2 guest, 13 ARRL members.

Reading of October 11th meeting minutes, Ron, N9EE, approved as read.

Treasure Report: Bob, W1LBV, Total Assets: \$25,589.15, approved as read.

Web Site: Tim, getting cleanedup , just have little time to work on it, but is doing well.

Health and Welfare: Carol, fund has \$140.

Also Carol working on nominating committee for 2019 club officers.

Repeater: Bob, W1LBV, need to replace wench on tower, estimated cost \$105 plus shipping and tax. Hope to pull out and replace if tower stable. When ready will let others know and go up and replace. Will need 1-2 people to help.

Hurrincan Report. After October meeting HCECS and EOC were activated and went to Florida Pan Handle. When arrived no communication except thru Ham Radio. HCECS set up 80 & 40m at Gulf Count EOC. Had trailer and antenna set up. Slept in trailer, Had both HF and VHF operating. There were 2 shelters, one 1 mile away, another 27 miles. The one 27 miles away lost electric, had over 300 people, lost pump-no water, got 174 kW generator, but due to low load would quit. Then obtained FEMA 68 kW generator. Bob spend 18-20 hours working each day. When left power had been restored and cell phone towers brought in for phone service. For miles poles were broken, 6500 electrical crews showed, did very good job.

Old Business:

Carol of nominating committee announced Tim, WB0YSX removed himself from committee for he volunteered to run for club president for 2019.

Nominations for 2019 HCARA club officers:

Tim Fida, WB0YSX for President

Bob Defilippo, KJ4OTC for Vice President

Ron Wright, N9EE for Secretary

Bob Burns, W1LBV for Treasurer

Announced Christmas Dinner Dec 13th, 6PM, at Buffet City, reservations made for 20-25. Will have short club meeting to vote on 2019 officers.

New Business: W0BR guest looking for local Ham Store, CGA in Port Richey suggested.

Tim announced Spring Hill ARC invited HCARA members to their meeting for auction of gear on the 20th at VFW. Bob announced EOC to have pot luck dinner, HCECS is invited. Bob ask for need to schedule a meeting to discuss the HamFest of 3rd Saturday, February 16th. Need to contact businesses at Ocala HamFest, give out info and get vendor info. Our HamFest is listed on ARRL site.

Meeting adjourned: 2010 hrs.

Program: was to be Robert, K4WZV to give talk on digital voice hotspots, but Robert did not show up. Sorry.