

Pelican Bay Amateur Radio Club Business Meeting Minutes

Minutes – May 29, 2015

EM COMM

The Emergency Communications group met at 6 pm before the regular business meeting. Comments about problems and possible solutions regarding this year's Azalea Parade were discussed. Seventeen PBARC members participated in communications for the lineup of the parade entrants and floats. Other topics included a request for a Traffic Control Class, developing an Emergency Communications Plan for all of Curry County, the differences between a Tactical net and a Resource net, an upcoming drill Saturday May 30th to try out an antenna, and the need for a standardized frequency list.

Business Meeting

The monthly business portion of our meeting of the Pelican Bay Amateur Radio Club was called to order by President Paul Carlin KE6NVU at 6:35 PM at the Chetco Activity Center (CAC), Brookings, Oregon.

Do we have a quorum? Yes (we had 18 members present out of 49 members on 2015 roster)

Those present were:

MEMBERS	ASSOCIATES OR GUESTS
Paul Carlin KE6NVU	none
James Fournier KF7KVP	
Butch Jark KG7LIK	
Lorraine Wilkinson W7RFC	
Bob Wilkinson W7VN	
Larry Mostachetti KE7YUI	
Shannon Parrish KD6CMX	
Bill Parrish KM6KV	
Shawn Walter KG7RBW	
Ron Rieg K7IOW	
Chris Teague WB8YPO	
John Eaton KG7LIH	
Oscar Marks K6LKK	
Virgil Cox W7VEC	
Gideon Kohler KJ6ZBJ	
Tim Hartzell KG6LIJ	
Mindy Hamilton W7ZAP	
Doug Gustafson K7KY	

Minutes of April 24 , 2015 were approved as distributed by e-mail

Treasurer's Report: Larry KE7YUI reported : 4/30/2015 Bank Statement of \$5,372.61
Paid out: 4/27/2015 to Activity Center \$500 (for TV as appreciation for our meeting room)
Deposits: 5/18/2015 \$15 in dues
Balance as of 5/29/2015 \$5387.61 Report approved.

Standing Committees:

Cape Ferrelo Repeater: Discussion about the repeater normally serving 6-8 people and the possibility of changing the way we use this repeater to reach more people..Possibilities suggested included a cell tower location, a water treatment plant location, or making a portable repeater. This machine is about 40 years old and will need changes soon.

Harbor Hills Repeater: The property has been sold and is on the market again.The repeater is working properly. Discussion about alternate locations if a new owner decides not to host the current location. Maintenance To Do list includes trimming bushes, checking guy wires, and painting the tower an Air Safety color and possibly raising the height. Tim KG6LIJ , who also serves on the Planning Commission, reminded us that there is a limit of 70 feet on antenna heights. We also need a sign on the building so a prospective buyer knows what it is.

The fact was mentioned that the County repeater on Bosley Butte was off the air on Friday May 29th, but no one knew why.

Website (pelicanbayarc.com): A recent upgrade to Word Press broke the website briefly. The website is up again, however the Time and Weather features were not functioning correctly as of the meeting day.

Motion made and passed to allow Mindy W7ZAP and Doug K7KY to spend up to \$200 a year on website maintenance, with costs greater than \$200 needing the approval of three Board members. A second motion was also approved for free membership to them in appreciation the club has for all the time they spend keeping our lovely website going.

Doug K7KY has added more pictures of our parade involvement to the photo gallery. Check it out!

WEB READY

We are asking the membership to help keep the website current by sending in news and pictures of any activity. Content must be **WEB READY**, that is, Edited for correct spelling, File format of WORD or pdf, and have a Subject Line and text that reads *exactly how you want it to appear on the website*. Any information quoted from other copyrighted sources or websites must have proper citation!

Articles can be emailed to one of the club officers, preferably to the club secretary, Shannon KD6CMX (sparrish1313@gmail.com) for proof reading. I will send the article on to Mindy W7ZAP to put onto the website if it is "web ready". PLEASE include pictures.

Antenna Committee: the planned installation at the Brookings EOC is on hold. Discussion about where emergency volunteers can operate from - this is an issue because of regulations on who can be in dispatch and who is allowed to handle sensitive information.

The ordered Yaesu repeater is on its way.

Old Business:

ARRL Club Membership: We have 17 ARRL members as of April 2015. If you are an ARRL member, please inform our club secretary, so we can update the count of ARRL members on the 2015 roster.

VE Testing: First Saturday – June 6 , 2015 General License question pool expires at the end of June!

Net Check-in Report from Mindy W7ZAP, net manager: Thank you Ron K7IOW for being Net Control volunteer for May. Members checked in 101 times, visitors 16 times. Butch KG7LIK has asked to do July already, but we need somebody for June!

Net Control volunteer for JUNE will be ??? WE NEED A VOLUNTEER

501(c)(3)– Non-profit incorporation for PBARC: We have been granted non-profit status in Oregon, but have not yet received our tax number. Paperwork for Federal non-profit status has been resumed now that the tax season is finished and is expected to be completed before the end of the year.

New Business:

Virgil W7VEC presented the costs for hats and T-shirts. Send your order info to Shannon KD6CMX (sparrish1313@gmail.com) and we will send in one joint order as a group for the best prices. Go to [www. Sanmar.com](http://www.Sanmar.com) to view products. Please include product number, size and color. For PBARC we will be able to get two styles of caps, T-shirts and sweatshirts. Think bright colors for visibility. Prices include our logo with additional \$5 for call sign and \$5 for your name.

However, emergency vests with reflective tape, contact Bob W7VN.

CERT training June 6, 2015 James KF7KVP, Ron K7IOW and John KG7LIH plan to attend.

Member News:

Happy May Birthdays to Reg Dewar K6CDE, Tim KG6LIJ, James KF7KVP, Mike Poole KE6ZYK, Brian Pacchetti W6DWY

The club secretary's Birthday List dates from 2014. If you have joined PBARC recently and wish to have your birthday mentioned, please tell Shannon KD6CMX your birth date. Thanks!

Larry KE7YUI signed up to do snacks for our next business meeting on June 26th.

SILENT KEY Bart Ickes KE7UOR died in a car accident. Our condolences and prayers go with his wife, Colette KE7VHU.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm by President Paul Carlin KE6NVU

Respectfully submitted, Shannon KD6CMX, club secretary

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The Emergency Communication(Em Comm) committee had a little field trip mid-day April 24th with Don Kendall from Curry County to inventory the Haz-Mat trailer and practice putting up the antenna and powering up the radios from a pickup truck's battery. They brought the radios and portable antenna to the 6 pm Emergency Communication meeting and to share with the rest of the club at the following club business meeting.

Emergency Communication(Em Comm) meeting participants hope to work on a map showing signal strength, improving the EOC's in Brookings and Harbor, CERT training opportunities, preparation at the schools (FRS radios for teachers perhaps), Go Bags, emergency power and readiness.

Snacks at meetings: Paul KE6NVU volunteered for May snacks

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Next meeting: May 29, 2015

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm by President Paul Carlin KE6NVU.

Respectfully submitted, Shannon Parrish KD6CMX , Secretary