



NHARC Minutes of the November 27, 2009 Meeting

The November meeting of the Northern Hills Amateur Radio Club was called to order by President Gene McPherson, NØMHJ, at 19:30 with ten members and one guest present at the Sturgis Fire Hall. Those present were: KØNLE, KGØGG, KCØCCB, WØADZ, KAØADZ, KCØZDA, KCØZDQ, NØMHJ, KØRXC, KBØNRB, and guest KCØFNE.

The October Minutes were read without corrections by Secretary Bruce Conlee, KØNLE. The Treasurer's Report was given by Treasurer Jerry Hawley, KGØGG, with a balance of \$1,986.35 after dues deposits and bills paid. The report was approved. A bill from the Bear Mountain tower climbers was received in the amount of \$867.35. A motion was made by Carol Katz, KCØZDA and second by Jerry Hawley, KGØGG, to pay the bill. Motion carried.

There were not any committee reports on Public Service.

President Gene McPherson, NØMHJ, reported that our next club meeting will be in conjunction with Skywarn at the Weather Bureau Office in Rapid City on Saturday, December 5th.

A thank you was received for our services at the SD MS-150 bike ride.

Chris Stallkamp, WØADZ, made the motion to give the used 2 meter antenna at Jerry Hawley's, KGØGG, to the radio group in Wyoming for their project of linking repeaters in Northeast Wyoming. The new set of mounting brackets for the antenna will be offered for sale to them. Seconded by Carol Katz, KCØZDA. Motion carried.

The 2 meter antenna and the 70 centimeter at Bob Streich's, KBØNRB, which was give to the NHARC by the Red Cross, will be picked up by Bruce Conlee, KØNLE.

President Gene McPherson, NØMHJ, reported the HF antenna at the Deadwood EOC is repaired. Jerry Hawley, KGØGG, has the 2 meter radio programmed. He will test out both the HF radio and the 2 meter radio at the EOC.

The following people have keys for the Bear Mountain site: Tim Anderson, KØOR; Rapid City Clubhouse, WØBLK; Harry Marten, WAØMFZ; Jerry Hawley, KGØGG; Chris Stallkamp, WØADZ; and Bob Henriksen, KFØAM.

A new type of coax connector was shown by Bob Streich, KBØNRB.

Jerry Hawley, KGØGG, reminded everyone about their dues and renewing membership in the ARRL. He also reported that he received very few summery reports from the Public Service events.

Chris Stallkamp will rewrite a portion of the agreement concerning the 146.970 repeater linking with the NHARC repeaters.

Mike Cruickshank, KCØFNE, talked on Amateur Radio activity in the Greeley, CO area, his equipment, and his involvement. He also applied for membership in the NHARC.

Lloyd Stallkamp, KAØADZ, demonstrated his QRP software defined radio kit. It was a ZOA radio with a cost of approximately twenty dollars.

A discussion was held on the implementation of tone on the 146.940 Rapid City repeater. The addition of the tone should help alleviate the possible intermod problem at that site.

Chris Stallkamp, WØADZ, circulated 1937 ARRL Convention at Sioux Falls and 76/77 repeater directory.

Jerry Hawley has two inoperative FT-8100 radios that need repairs. Consensus was to offer the radios for sale within the club first. Chris Stallkamp offered twenty five dollars for both radios as is. Carol Katz made the motion to sell to Chris Stallkamp, the two radios as is for twenty five dollars and Neal Richmond, KCØZQD seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The next meeting in January will be at the Sturgis Fire Hall. There will be no December meeting there and instead will be an informal meeting with Skywarn at the Rapid City Weather Bureau.

The meeting was adjourned at 20:35.

Respectfully submitted,
Bruce Conlee, KØNLE, NHARC Secretary