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GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Friday, December 9, 2022

Meeting Location: Skagit PUD, 1415 Freeway Dr, Mount Vernon, WA.

Officers present: Greg Wilterdink KF6QEO; Bob Ramborger K7JNV; Chris Davis KB7CX; Ric Merry K7ITE.

Officers absent: Mike Cregan N6HXT.

Total number of members in attendance: 24.

The meeting was opened by Greg KF6QEO at 1903 hrs. Greg explained that Mike N6HXT was absent from this meeting due to a planned surgery. Greg provided an overview of meeting business and the presentation that followed the business meeting.

Chris KB7CX gave a summary of the minutes from the October General meeting.

Prior to Bob K7JNV giving the treasurer's report, Bob asked the members if they wanted the monthly luncheon to be scheduled as usual or if they wanted to cancel this month's luncheon and start again next month. By a show of hands, almost no one wanted a luncheon this month. Bob said the next luncheon will be scheduled in January as usual.

Bob K7JNV presented the Treasurer's report.

November 1, 2022:	\$7,044.00
Deposits:	\$75.72
Checks:	\$251.00
Fees:	<u>\$3.00</u>
November 30, 2022:	\$6,895.72

Greg KF6QEO called for a vote to accept the minutes and the treasurer's report. The minutes and treasurer's report were approved by the members in attendance.

Chris KB7CX provided a website report. He added a post with information about the CQ Magazine DX Marathon. John K7LVJ gave some additional information about this informal contest. There was nothing further to report concerning the website.

Rich N7FDM reported no problems with the club's repeater.

Old Business

Chris KJ7FZF and Effie W7EFE provided an update from the club equipment committee. Effie W7EFE received a donation of some radio equipment from a ham who was retiring from Amateur Radio. Greg KF6QEO asked if photos could be taken of the newly donated equipment and then posted to the club website so that members can see what is available? Chris KJ7FZF said he will take photos and forward them to Chris KB7CX.

New Business

Chris KB7CX presented an amendment to the club by laws proposed by the RASC board concerning the cost of dues for families with more than 4 members. By Law 5, as it is currently written in the club's constitution, sets dues for a single member at \$20 per year and \$10 per year for each additional, individual family member. The proposed amendment would limit the annual dues for a family to no more than \$40 per year. John K7LVJ made a motion for the club to consider acceptance of this amendment to the club's constitution, with Ric K7ITE making the second to John's motion. The amendment will be put to a vote of the membership during the January general meeting.

Bob K7JNV brought up an issue with the way the PayPal link is set up on the website for the payment of dues. While there are memberships that are available beyond that of just a single member, the PayPal link does not offer any additional payment options beyond the amount of \$20. Ric K7ITE volunteered to look into updating the PayPal link to allow for payment of family memberships.

Greg KF6QEO presented the nomination of Effie W7EFE for the position of treasurer for 2023. He asked for other nominations for treasurer and none were offered. Greg called for a vote of the members present for Effie to be elected to the position of treasurer. The vote was unanimous in favor of Effie being the treasurer for 2023.

The officers for 2023 are as follows.

President: Mike Cregan, N6HXT.

Vice-President: Greg Wilterdink, KF6QEO.

Treasurer: Effie Sweeney, W7EFE.

Secretary: Chris Davis, KB7CX.

Director-at-Large: Ric Merry, K7ITE.

Greg provided a review of upcoming events.

Dean KG6AKV gave an update about the activities of Skagit County ARES. Chris KB7CX advised that a decision was made to not have a regular ARES meeting this month. The ARES meetings will continue again beginning in January. An email notice will be sent to all who are on the ARES email list.

Bob K7JNV advised that the signature cards at the bank, where the club's checking account is held, have not been updated in more than a year. After some discussion, it was agreed that Mike N6HXT and Effie W7EFE should be the new signers on the club's checking account. Bob said he will coordinate with Mike and Effie to accomplish the update

The business meeting was adjourned at 1929 hours. The next meeting will be January 13, 2023, 1900 hrs.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Chris Davis". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Chris Davis KB7CX
Secretary