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 SEAWAY VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB INC.

4672 O’Keefe Road

St. Andrews West, Ontario, K0C 2A0

Minutes of the General Meeting held at 7:00PM, October 30, 2019

St. John Ambulance HQ

Unit 2, 1001 Sydney St.

Cornwall, Ontario.

**Present**

**Members attended this meeting: 22 members and 1 Guest: Ed Halliwell President (VE3EAH), Doug Pearson Vice President (VE3HTR), Elizabeth Halliwell Treasurer (VE3EZH), Chris Lauzon Secretary (VA3CRR),** Tom Todd Net Manager (VA3KD), **Hal Green (VE3HWG), Hermanna Noorthoek (VE3UNV), Art Horovitch (VE3AIH), Stan Fortune (VA3JSF), Don Brownlee (VA3NC), Rick Palmer (VA3EV), Suzan Horovitch (**VE3EXN), Dave Bernard (VE3JLV), **Jim Richardson (VE3AFV)**, Pete Legault (VA3FKR), Murray MacDonnell (VE3XLJ), Leonard Boileau (VE3OLB), John Grow (VE2EQL), Patricia Rowan (VA3PUR), Andre Richer (VA3RDI) Judy Sheldrick (No Callsign), Jamie Montroy (No Callsign), John Peddle (Guest)

**Opening**

**SVARC President Ed Halliwell called meeting to order at 7:07 PM. Everyone introduced themselves.**

**Old Business**

**Review and approval of the minutes from our previous Meeting of June 26, 2019; The Minutes were read by Chris Lauzon. Motion to approve by Art and seconded by Andre, carried.**

**Reports**

**Treasurer’s Report:**

**Elizabeth reported we have $1050.68 in the Repeater fund and $1100.84 in the General fund, for a grand total of $2151.52. Motion to approve by Elizabeth and seconded by Hal, carried.**

**Monday Night Net:**

**Tom reported for the Month of September, we had 44 check in’s on VE3SVC, 42 on VE3PGC, and 2 on DMR for a total of 88.**

**Newsletter Report :**

**Steve was absent.**

**Technical Report:**

**Doug stated we still have a ongoing interference issue on VE3SVC. We had a work party in the beginning of October consisting of Ed, Doug, Evan, Chris. VE3SVC is set to “Auto Mode”. The cavities were checked and tweaked.**

**ARES Report:**

**Earle was absent, Earle provided Ed with updates.**

**Repair of HF Antenna on City Hall:** An initial check of City of Cornwall antenna installations was made in June 2019. Art (VE3AIH) then followed up to attempt to make repairs to the unserviceable HF antenna on top of the City of Cornwall. There is still more work needed.

**SD&G Table Top Exercise: Sep. 12, 2019**

The City of Cornwall held its table top exercise. Earle, Art and Suzan Horovitch attended.

**Plans For An SD&G ARES Exercise on Nov. 12, 2019 (Formerly Oct. 28, 2019):**

At the time of this writing, plans are being put in place for an exercise on this date. It is envisioned to exercise: The EOC on Pitt Street, 601 Campbell Street, The Benson Centre and The Cornwall Civic Complex.

**Emergency Management Volunteer Rendezvous Exercise on Oct. 5, 2019:**

We received an invitation to participate. However, no one from this area could attend.

**Emergency Management Meeting: Sep. 27, 2019**

Bradley Nuttley chaired this meeting of several city officials at 601 Campbell Street. Doug, Earle and Suzan attended.

**Website update:**

Nothing to report.

**50/50 Draw : Was won by Murray for a total of $12.00, who kindly gave it back to the repeater fund. The remaining $12.00 will go to the general fund. Congratulations Murray. There was a second draw for a cell phone power supply, donated by Art and won by Doug.**

**New Business**

1. **Ed will be taking a break from the president’s position and will not be running again. Ed nominated Larry as president and it was seconded by Chris.**
2. **Hal mentioned about \*OPP “Star 677”. This can be used to contact the OPP for emergency related issues.**
3. **Doug has incurred an internet bill for the past four years at $40 a month to provide internet to the VE3PGC repeater site. Larry made a motion for Doug to be compensated going forward. The motion was seconded by Jim, Carried.**
4. **Possible Christmas dinner locations from the following: St. Huberts, Philos, Kelseys, Shnitzels, Cornwall BBQ, City Limits, Au Vieux Duluth. Ed will look into availability for Dec. 14th.**
5. **Callsign badges were handed out.**
6. **People may submit bios about themselves for the newsletter.**
7. **Earle has been recertified as the areas accredited examiner.**

**Presentation:**

**Tom talked about a couple of websites and showed us around them, for those interested in CW. Straight Key Centaury Club and CWOPS.**

**Upcoming Events**

**Meeting Adjourned:**

**Motioned by Don at 9:00 PM**

**Next meeting:**

**Refreshments to be served from 6:30pm to 7:00 pm**

**Start at 7:00 pm to 9:00pm**

**Nov. 27th, 2019**

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**Cornwall, Ont.**

**Minutes recorded by Chris Lauzon (VA3CRR)**