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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, September 25, 2019

St. John Ambulance HQ

Unit 2, 1001 Sydney St.

Cornwall, Ontario.

**Present**

**Members attended this meeting: 17 members, 5 Guests : Ed Halliwell President (VE3EAH), Doug Pearson Vice President (VE3HTR), Elizabeth Halliwell Treasurer (VE3EZH), Chris Lauzon Fill in Secretary (VA3CRR),** Tom Todd Net Manager (VA3KD), **Hal Green (VE3HWG), Larry Giguere (VA3RSQ), Hermanna Noorthoek (VE3UNV), Art Horovitch (VE3AIH), Stan Fortune (VA3JSF), Don Brownlee (VA3NC), Gilbert Boudreault (VE3CFS), Susan Horovitch (**VE3EXN), Roger Belanger (VA3GBV), Dave Bernard (VE3JLV), Earle Depass (VE3IMP), Botao Li (Guest), Pete Legault (Guest), Bob Lavigne (Guest), Judy Sheldrick (Guest), Jamie Montroy (Guest)

**Opening**

**SVARC President Ed Halliwell called meeting to order at 7:00 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 in Deans absence. Motion to approve by Susan and seconded by Larry, carried.**

**Reports**

**Treasurer’s Report:**

**Elizabeth reported there was no change from the previous meeting with the amounts being, $1032.10 in the Repeater fund and $1017.68 in the General fund, for a grand total of $2049.78. We received our 2018 tax statement and owe nothing. Motion to approve by Elizabeth and seconded by Earle, carried.**

**Monday Night Net:**

**Tom reported for the Month of June, we had 43 check in’s on VE3SVC, 43 on VE3PGC, for a total of 86. July had 38 on VE3SVC, 32 on VE3PGC for a total of 70. August had 38 on VE3SVC, 32 on VE3PGC, 3 on DMR for a total of 73.**

**Newsletter Report :**

**Steve was absent.**

**Technical Report:**

**Doug stated that VE3SVC was the only active repeater at the Cornwall Community Hospital repeater site, due to recent and on going work to the elevator system.**

**ARES Report:**

**Earle gave an intro as to what ARES was about to the Group/Guests and various events that ARES assists with, such as the Raisin River Canoe Race, MS Bike Tour. T-shirts were available to people who assisted with the MS Bike Tour, they were dated 2017. This Friday, Sept. 27 there will be an EMS meeting at 9AM.**

**Website update:**

**The website is getting visits and there is an extensive list of ham gear on the swap page from Stan Sanderson (VA3DS) who is downsizing and moving.**

**50/50 Draw : Was won by Andre Richer for a total of $13.00, who kindly gave it back to the repeater fund. The remaining $13.00 will go to the general fund. Congratulations Andre. There was a second draw for a T-shirt, won by Larry.**

**New Business**

1. **Ed stated that Dean Brush (VA3BS) would not be returning as Secretary. The board would like to appoint Chris Lauzon (VA3CRR) to the position. Earle made a motion to approve, Seconded by Don, Carried.**
2. **Ed collected orders for Callsign pins from those who wanted one.**
3. **Ed asked for volunteers to form a nominating committee for board posistions, Larry volunteered.**
4. **Ed asked if there was an interest to have a CW course? Several people showed interest. Tom mentioned a website,** [www.cwops.org](http://www.cwops.org) **where he had learned CW from and highly recommended it.**
5. **Ideas for future speakers? Talks from OPP & EMS as to what they except from hams? There was mention about a person who did a High Altitude Balloon Launch?**

**Presentation:**

**Art did a presentation on his endeavors on obtaining his callsign license plate from a Silent Key whose widow still held.**

**Ed showed a video from Weather Underground about Ham operations during a hurricane.**

**Doug touched base on the August work parties to relocate our gear at CCH and thanked those who assisted. He also outlined proposed repeater/antenna changes.**

**Upcoming Events**

**Meeting Adjourned:**

**Motioned by Larry at 8:45 PM**

**Next meeting:**

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

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

**Oct. 30th, 2019**

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**Cornwall, Ont.**

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