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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 29, 2021

Held in person, first since the start of COVID.

**Present**

**Members attended this meeting: 14 members: Larry Giguere, President (VA3RSQ), Doug Pearson, Vice President (VE3HTR), Chris Lauzon, Secretary (VA3CRR), Elizabeth Halliwell Treasurer (VE3EZH), Murray MacDonnell, Newsletter (VE3XLJ), Ed Halliwell (VE3EAH), Roger Belanger (VA3GBV), Hermanna Noorthoek (VE3UNV), Earle DePass (VE3IMP), Don Brownlee (VA3NC), Dave Bernard (VE3JLV), Patricia Rowan (VA3PUR), Rick Palmer (VA3EV), Hal Green (VE3HWG)**

**Opening**

**SVARC President Larry Giguere called meeting to order at 7:00 PM.**

**Old Business**

**Review and approval of the minutes from our previous Meeting of June 30, 2021. The Minutes were read by Chris. Motion to approve by ? and seconded by ?, carried.**

**Reports**

**Treasurer’s Report:**

**Elizabeth reported that the amounts have not changed from last month and are as follows, General Fund $1336.84 & Repeater Fund $1223.04.**

**Monday Night Net:**

**Tom reported that the net stats were:**

June - SVC- 39, PGC 50, VSW 18, DMR 9

July - SVC 44, PGC 36, VSW 0, DMR 15

August- SVC 60, PGC 65, VSW 9, DMR 21.

**Newsletter Report:**

**Newsletter position is still up for grabs, please contact Murray.**

**Technical Report:**

**A 220 MHz Two bay folded dipole antenna has been installed at the CCH repeater site. Rick has tested it and reports that it can be heard in Morrisburg. There were two separate work parties to the CCH repeater site over the summer. One comprising of Chris, Doug, Roger and Rick. Another with Doug, ED, Roger and Rick.**

**ARES Report:**

**Repeater Checks: (Ongoing):**

The SVARC 2-Metre net is conducted on VE3SVC (147.180MHz.+). Checks are also made by switching the net to the VE3PGC (UHF) repeater. A check is also performed on DMR, Ch. 2. This process confirms the serviceability of nearby *Seaway Valley Amateur Radio Club* (SVARC) repeater systems at least once a week, should they be required by SD&G ARES.

**Seaway Valley Amateur Radio Club (SVARC) Virtual Meeting (June 30, 2021):**

The SVARC held its most recent monthly meeting virtually on the VE3PGC repeater. The Club will take a break until September 2021.

**Field Day 2021 – June 26-27, 2021:**

Members of nearby *The Eastern Ontario Amateur Radio Club (T.E.O.A.R.C.)* held Field Day on the property of Mel (VE3OJN) near Moose Creek. I stopped in for a brief visit.

**Monthly Reports Have Been Made:**

I continued to submit monthly reports to Mike Hickey (VE3IPC).

**Request For Confirmation From Township Of South Stormont**

Lizann Grant from the Township Of South Stormont requested contact information update.

**Murray MacDonell Is Our AEC In North Glengarry**

**Alexandria, ON ARES Project:**

In support of the possible installation of an additional repeater at Alexandria and to promote the renewed partnership between SD&G ARES and the Township Of North Glengarry, a meeting with the North Glengarry Fire Chief - Matthew Roy took place in mid July 2021, at the fire hall in Alexandria. To date we are still awaiting a response. Murray sent a reminder to him today.

**Website update:**

**No changes.**

**50/50 Draw:**

**None.**

**New Business**

1. **Elections are coming up. Larry will be stepping down as President, Elizabeth will be stepping down as Treasurer. Tom will be stepping down as Net Manager.**
2. **Dean is looking to sell the DMR repeater that is currently operating as VA3EDG at the Bonville repeater site. The repeater is being offered to the club to purchase. Does the club wish to purchase? If not, Doug is interested in purchasing it.**
3. **Need a meeting snack person. Andre will not be able to continue for the time being for personal reasons.**
4. **Earle has offered to run a simulcast Zoom meeting at our October meeting, for those not attending due to COVID concerns.**

**Presentation:**

**None was held**

**Upcoming Events**

**None.**

**Meeting Adjourned:**

**Motioned by Larry at 7:40 PM**

**Next meeting:**

**To be held October 27, 2021 at 7:00 PM, location TBD. Minutes recorded by Chris Lauzon (VA3CRR)**