

# General Meeting Minutes

## June 20, 2017

General Meeting: The general meeting of the Gainesville Amateur Radio Society was called to order at 6:30 PM by President Peter Winters. President Winters led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and gave the introductions. Thirty-three people were in attendance.

Sickness Health and Welfare: Nothing to report, thank God.

Secretary's report: Secretary, Gregory Sporer, had nothing to report.

Treasurer's report: Treasurer, Susan Tipton, explained all accounts and reported all were accurate and matching the bank statement. A Motion to Approve the Treasurer's report was put to the membership; seconded, and unanimously approved. The Treasurer explained that if ARRL dues are renewed through our club, the club receives a rebate from ARRL.

Webmaster's report: Bob Guertin reported to the club that if they log into our club website and look under "special presentations", there is an amateur radio club in Indiana showing a video of their radio shack, and it is amazing.

ARES report: Jeff Capehart reported that the EOC has set up their advisory board. The next ARES meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 12th. The EOC is going to have training for HF digital. Also, the local MLK center has received funds, and will become an impact shelter. He said that almost all the radios and other equipment have arrived, and will be ready to set up the radio stations at the local shelters.

Repeater Trustee/VP: Shannon Boal said he is still looking to separate the combined antenna for the 146.985 and the 444.925 repeaters into two antennas with two new feed lines.

President's report: Peter yielded the floor to Shannon, who gave a report on the upcoming Field Day. He explained about the equipment, radios, and antennas that will be set up and used in the different frequencies, as well as the kinds of transmitting that will be done. We will be transmitting non-stop from 2 PM Saturday the 24<sup>th</sup>, until Noon, Sunday the 25<sup>th</sup>.

Mike Robinett, W4UAV, gave a talk on solar power. He brought in 2 of his solar panels and other equipment, to show how efficient it is to charge 12-volt, deep-cycle marine batteries for operating radios and other equipment. Mike's presentation was enthusiastically received.

In July, a program about the history of AM broadcast radio in Gainesville, will be presented by Shannon Boal, and others.

With no other business to be discussed, A Motion to Adjourn was put to the membership; seconded, and unanimously approved at 8:15 PM.

Gregory C. Sporer, Secretary