

GAINESVILLE AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY, INC.
MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY GENERAL MEETING
Held on November 16th, 2016

The General Meeting (Business Meeting) of the Gainesville Amateur Radio Society, Inc. was held on Wednesday, November 16th, 2016 in the meeting room of the AVMED Headquarters. The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m. by the President, Pete Winters, W4GHP.

After introductions by name and call signs of the meeting attendees, the president presented the Sickness, Health and Welfare report. The president welcomed Sam Ullman, K4ZVD. Mr. Ullman has recovered from surgery, and is now able to resume most of his normal activities that he was involved in prior to his illness.

The President called for the report of the Treasurer, Susan Tipton K9PDL the Treasurer delivered her report.

The President called for the report of the Webmaster, Bob Guertin, W1GLV. The Webmaster reported that the GARS website: <http://www.gars.net> is running well.

The Repeater Trustee, Shannon Boal, K4GLM, presented his report stating that all repeaters were functioning. Shannon mentioned that he now has a programming cable for the Yaesu DR-1X Repeaters that the club purchased approximately 18 months ago.

The President called for the ARES report. Jeff Capehart, W4UFL, presented the report.

Under Old Business, the president reported that the GARS Antenna Project presentation to the Alachua County EOC was ongoing. Further updates will be published as to the progress of the antenna project will come as they are available.

The acting club secretary, Beverly Winters KM4MNV circulated sign in sheets for the Meeting attendance, the Operation Santa Delivery, and the GARS annual Christmas party/awards banquet.

The president discussed the Operation Santa Delivery event and received positive feedback from Vann Chesney, AC4QS, and Carol Chesney; KF4QEX indicated that they would chair the event on December 17th.

Club members were reminded that the annual Christmas party/awards banquet is being held on December 15th, 2016 at the Waldo First Baptist Church. The GARS auxiliary is working on the event. The cost of the event is \$5.00 per person, which includes one raffle ticket. Additional tickets will be available for purchase at the event.

The president opened the floor for nominations for election of officers and e-board members for the calendar year 2017. Gregory Sporer, KM4OCZ, submitted his name as a candidate for the office of GARS Secretary. His nomination was seconded, and he was duly elected to the office by the membership. Likewise, nominations were opened for selection of e-board

members. The election results were as follows: Officers; President, Peter Winters, W4GHP; Vice-President, Shannon Boal K4GLM; Secretary, Gregory Sporer, KM4OCZ; Treasurer, Susan Tipton, K9PDL. Executive Board members elected were as follows: Robert Guertin, W!GLV; Larry Rovak, WB2SVB; Jeff Capehart, W4UFL, Sam Ullman K4VVD; Vann Chesney, AC4QS. Ron Smith, KJ4HBF, was retained as an alternate to the board.

There being no further business, a motion was made, and duly seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Beverly Winters, KM4MNV
Acting Secretary