February 15, 2023

FNRW Zoom Meeting Minutes

In Attendance:

Bob Kleinbrahm-Chairperson

Kate Dougherty-Secretary

Sue Wilson-At Large Member

Steve Allred-Technical Expert

Jackie Vaughn-Guest from Lockwood

Lee Gravensen-Guest from Lockwood

Absent:

Barb Reilly-Treasure

Kent Oster-Technical Expert

**TOPIC 1:** Review Minutes of January 18, 2023 Meeting

DISCUSSION: Updates added as requested

CONCLUSION: Requested Motion to approve, and seconded

ACTION: Voted and motion carried. Minutes Approved.

**TOPIC 2**: Old Business

DISCUSSION:

1. Sue Wilson, will get back to the group from Sherriff on use of radio during robbery in progress.
2. Sponsorship Agreement with Fiddletown Community Center duly executed by both parties.
3. Kate Dougherty to encourage radio use with FireWise Community. Next Sector Meeting coming up will demo radios then.
4. Kent Oster got pricing for T-Shirts: $400 per 100 printed
5. Bob Kleinbrahm is monitoring check ins during weekly net control to show evidence of failing battery, and he will notify users as needed. We do have batteries on hand to sell.
6. Steve Allred & Kent Oster still working on list of equipment needs and associated costs. They will create list and share with the group prior to next meeting.
7. Grant Opportunities will be explored when we have specific list of financial needs.

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**TOPIC 3:** Treasures Report

DISCUSSION: No bank activity during January 2023

CONCLUSION: CURRENT BALANCE: $1716.30

ACTION: Kent and Steve to identify equipment needs that can be paid for from these funds, until new fund raising needs can be identified.

**TOPIC 4:** Smoke Chasers Event May 20, 2023 11:00 – 7:00

DISCUSSION: A large single table will be shared by Fiddletown Neighborhood Radio Watch, Lockwood Neighborhood Radio Watch, and Fiddletown FireWise Community, and possibility some

El Dorado Radio Watch members.

CONCLUSION: Each group will bring their own: brochures, banners, and handouts to display on Pop-up Tent. FCC will loan extra tables and chairs if we need them. FireWise volunteers identified:

Matt Brennan: mbrandon@flintbuilders.com

Dylan Ely: dylanfrely@gmail.com

ACTION:

* Sue Wilson will file application for a spot at Smoke Chasers for Radio and Fire Wise table, which will hopefully be in same location as last year.
* Kent Oster will bring 10x20 popup tent.

**TOPIC 5:** Smoke Chasers Publicity

DISCUSSION: Kayla Dale is in charge of publicity this year.

CONCLUSION: All Publicity activities should be coordinated Kayla

ACTION:

* Jackie Vaughn will contact Kayla first to coordinate publicity for Smoke Chasers event.
* Net Controls will promote Smoke Chasers during weekly check-ins for each network.

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**TOPIC 6:** Activities during Smoke Chasers

DISCUSSION: Radio Demonstrations

CONCLUSION: Demo GMRS radios as guests approach the table. The visitor’s residence will determine whom they should talk to since both Radio Network and FireWise are location specific.

ACTION:

* Everyone bring their Radio to participate in demos.
* Lockwood should confirm that they could hit repeater from the Amador County Fair Grounds. WHO???
* Harry Cowan will monitor radio at home from Tyler Road for demos.
* Jackie Vaughn’s spouse will monitor radio from Lockwood Repeater.
* Bob Kleinbrahm will create sign-up sheets for each radio network for people who are interested in getting a radio.

**TOPIC 7:** BACK-UP FOR NET CONTROL

DISCUSSION: Bob is traveling in May and will need a substitute to run Net-Control on several Wednesdays at 7:00 pm.

CONCLUSION: Both Kent Oster and Sue Wilson have volunteered to serve as Net-Control.

ACTION: Sue Wilson and Kent Oster have offered to be back up and will coordinate with Bob Kleinbrahm on dates they will take, possibly on a monthly basis.