

## Minutes of HCARC Meeting – 3 March 2016

### MEETING COMMENCEMENT

- Pledge of allegiance was led by Dale Gaudier
- NEW MEMBER AND GUEST RECOGNITION-Charlie Land KC5NKK from San Antonio
- Public service/emergency service and membership assistance/elmering recognitions

K5CK (SK) John O'Malley tower removal by: Chuck Brainard KA1PM, Gary Johnson N5BAA, Dr. Jim Lindley K5EWS, Jerry Migley W5MIG, Dennis Robertson W5FBG, Robert Russell KF5AIE, Harvey Vordenbaum K5HV

Peanut Brittle brought by Bill Tynan W3XO

- Minutes were posted and/or read and accepted
- The Treasurers report was posted and/or read and accepted

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Repeater (Harvey K5HV)
  - Need volunteer for club repeater trustee
- VE Testing (Fred W0LPD) – nothing to report
- Red Cross Liason (Terry W0HIP) – nothing to report
- SKYWARN – Larry Altman (N5QED)
  - SKYWARN training on 2/17/2016 by a number of HCARC members (show of hands)
- Field Day (Gary Johnson N5BAA)
  - Field Day support signup sheet (handout)
- ARES – Terry Hipskind (W0HIP)
  - Request for update to ARES list
  - Dale Gaudier to meet with Dub Thomas (Kerr Co. EMC) to discuss HCARC 's role in the county's disaster plan
- Raspberry Pi report by Jerry Migley W5MIG and Jim Froemke KOMHC

### OLD BUSINESS - none

### NEW BUSINESS

- Upcoming Events
  - Public Service Events – nothing to report
  - DXing news
    - **C91IJ** and **C92CC** Mozambique on now through March 4<sup>th</sup>, then to Swaziland as **3DA0IJ** and **3DA0CC** Mar. 5-15.
    - **VK9CK** (Cocos-Keeling Is.) - March 5-26.
    - **Christmas Is. (Kirimati)** - March 1-15. Calls are **T32TR**, **T32CO**, **T32WW**, **T32LJ**,

**T32SB, T32MU & T32FS.**

- **4S7GWG** and **4S7RTG** Sri Lanka - March 2-18.
- **VK0EK** Heard Is. – approx. Mar. 20-31.
- **TX7EU** Marquesas Is. – Mar. 3-15.
- **T88KH** and **T88KU** Palau – Mar. 17-21.
- **3C7GIA** Equatorial Guinea – Mar. 4-13.
- Contests
  - **ARRL International DX Contest, SSB** - 0000Z, Mar. 5 to 2400Z Mar. 6
  - **CQ WW WPX Contest, SSB** – 0000Z Mar. 26 to 2400Z Mar. 27
- Legislative news
  - Reminder: send letters in support of HR 1301/S 1685 (Amateur Radio Parity Act) to ARRL. Status: HR 1301 referred to full House Energy and Commerce Committee on 2/11/16 for vote. S 1685 has been referred to the Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee's subcommittee on Communications, Technology, Innovation and the Internet on 2/11/16 for vote.

**BREAK FOR REFRESHMENTS**

**Presentation:** “A New Era in Amateur Radio: Developments in Ham Satellites” – presented by Bill Tynan, W3XO

**50/50 drawing and awards.**

Winner of 50/50: Lew King W5LEW Amount: \$30

Total members and guests in attendance: 35

Meeting Adjourned

**Next Meeting April 7, 2016 7PM**

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Russell, KF5AIE, Secretary