UNION COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY Meeting Minutes for July 16, 2020

Chris Whitaker, AE4WS opened the regular meeting at 7:01 PM with 9 members.

Members in attendance:

Alfred KoKoszczynski, KC2GZI Gordon Lyman, N4YTM Rick Lanier, N4RCL David Keever, KV4N Chris Whitaker, AE4WS Jim King, KK4AWQ Paul Corso, KK4PIB Mike Segersin, KN4CQA Ricardo Fisher, KM4QJO

- 1. Chris Whitaker (AE4WS) opened the meeting at 7:01 PM.
- 2. Chris reviewed June's meeting.
- 3. Treasurer's Report given. Balance \$2,588.78.
- 4. The VE test session schedule for July 18th was announced. Session will be held at the Stalling Town Hall.
- 5. Chris reviewed Field Day activities at his house and the issues he experienced and the good experiences he had.
- 6. Announced Shelby Hamfest has been cancelled as other Hamfest in the area have also been cancelled for the remainder of the year.
- 7. Winter Field Day will be coming first of 2021, need to make plans, also wait to see how virus is then.
- 8. Announced that Albemarle Red Cross volunteers wants to connect with Monroe Red Cross Volunteers by Radio. Need antenna at Monroe to be able to link between sites.
- 9. Request volunteers to host Zoom meetings.
- 10. Requested volunteers for a presentation that they would give on ZOOM for the club.
- 11. Chris talked about his antenna analyzer giving problems and his fix.
- 12. David brought up that he was surprised that no one discussed their activity on Field Day, Especially new guys to digital. Looking for discussion from those there were active.
 - a. Long discussion followed with comments from Chris, AE4WS, Jim King, KK4AWQ, made a contact while at Paris Island, Gordon, N4YTM, made comments about his operation, mentioned he worked N3FJP. He worked over 300 contacts on digital, worked voice, and 6 meters. Paul, KK4PIB, provided a synopsis of his operation, mentioned he pushed a button and wiped out all and to reload. Learned proper sequence of activating the equipment. Worked Walt Disney World station. Looking for a better antenna.
- 13. Jim, KK4AWQ, Announced that he would like to reach out to Will Seaman from the LEPC, (Local Emergency Planning Commission), a Ham, to tell us what the LEPC and EOC have done about the Coronavirus and how we as a club could be inactive and we could help. Jim will provide contact information.
- 14. Meeting adjoined at 7:41 PM