



Whitman Amateur Radio Club Meeting 4/07/21

Bob Azanow WA1Q
Secretary

Chris Babbitt N1CFB
Vice President

Randy Mills KC1EFF
Treasurer

Paul Delory W1GTX
President

ATTENDANCE: 33

Members and guests were social isolated at the K of C and on Zoom including 4 elected officers. This was the first in person meeting in a year.

33 Members and guests attended via ZOOM.

W1GTX Paul Delory

K1GMN Bill Heally

N1CFB Chris Babbitt

AG1B Richard Metcalf

KC1JMZ Ted Wojcik

KC1KIS Robert Kirkaldy

KC4JVC Joe Chiusano

KG1U Mike Bennett

KB1PFL Jim Madden

W1JDG John Ginsburg

WB1EMS Joe Thomas

WA1Q Bob Azanow

KC1EFF Randy Mills

KC1ITF Mark Hirtle

W1IG John Murphy

N4NMF Barry Kennedy

KC1KIT Tom Kirkaldy

KB1OEP Mike Supple

KB1MTW Paul Moss

KC1JKW Andy Lyne

WA1MAD Mike Davis

N1PAU Paul Leavitt

WK1D Jeff Ayres

W1ABH Scott Mitchell

W1EKG Ross Hochstrasser

KC1LKB Ernie Bazzinotti

AJ1L Jeff Lehmann

N1BSO John Laiosa

N1SOM Jeff Tracy

NW1W Pete MacPherson

N1IQI Loren Pimental

KB1FBA Bob Mahoney

W1QWT Bob "Q" Callahan

** Any missing folks or errors please notify the Secretary

Secretary's Report:

President **Paul Delory W1GTX** called the on the air meeting to order at 7:00 PM 4/7/21 with the 4 elected officers on Zoom.

A quorum was on the present on Zoom.

Bob WA1Q published the Mar. 2021 meeting notes on the club website.

A motion to accept as read made by **Jeff WK1D** with a second by **Ernie KC1LKB**.

Motion passed quorum vote as there were no objections.

Randy KC1EFF provided the Mar. 2021 treasurers report which the secretary emailed to the members. A motion to accept as read made by **Jeff WK1D** with a second by **Ernie KC1LKB**. Motion passed quorum vote as there were no objections.

Health & Welfare report by **Richard AG1B**

Richard AG1B thankfully reported that no one was sick or left us this past month.

Weekly Public Service Net Control volunteers for Apr 04, 2021 to May 02, 2021:

- **Apr 04th : Mike KB1OEP**
- **Apr 11th : Jeff WK1D**
- **Apr 18th : Ross W1EKG @ Cranland International Airport**
- **Apr 25th : Jeff N1SOM**
- **May 02nd : Paul W1GTX**

New Members and Call sign updates:

No New members for March

*** If we forgot anyone else or you have an updated call or level, please let us know.

Committee updates:

Training Committee: Ross W1EKG Update

NOTE: Due to the Coronavirus crisis any remaining in person classes are still on hold for now. We will notify everyone when the in person classes will resume.

Ross W1EKG reported he had a good group that attended the Extra Class. The last folks are taking their VE exams. Ross is still looking for help as well to teach. Thank you **Ross W1EKG, and Ted KC1JMZ.**

Congratulations again to **Sue KC1OHB** and **Ed Warchal KC1OZE** passing their Tech licenses and the extra time that Ross has spent with them to pass. Also Thank You Ross again for the time with **Wendy White KC1GTR** of the Mara club passing her extra.

Ross W1EKG would like to start a Technician class in May or June if possible. We will send emails out the club members and the surrounding clubs to see if we can get folks for the Tech class. Dates for the Tech class will be announced. If the Tech class does not happen soon it will be pushed out to Sept. Remember the training email address Warc.Training@gmail.com and copy to bavarianradio@comcast.net to sign up for classes.

Repeater Committee: Jeff AJ1L we are reporting the repeater is working well, but the controller interface that connects the IRLP and Echo-Link needs to be repaired. This controller is also used for the voice ID's. Jeff has made arrangements to have it repaired.

** A motion was made by **Ross W1EKG** and second by **Barry N4NMF** to provide up to \$400 for the repair of the controller. The money is allocated in the budget for repeater repairs. Motion passed with a quorum vote by the membership in person and via Zoom.

A reminder that **Ho (Steve) KC1HO** and **Jeff AJ1L** have set up the **Echo-Link** connection to the **W1ATD Repeater** 145.390 Mhz PL67.0 in Marshfield. This is a conference node "NEW-ENG2" Please use this node to connect. This is great news for the weekly **Great Hill Gang (K1USN)** Swap Net that. This net meets on Friday evenings at 8PM. This is also great news for the weekly K1USN Net on Saturday Mornings at 9AM.

A big thank you Jeff for all the work you do keeping all of on the air not just on Whitman but all the other repeaters you service. It takes allot of dedication and we all appreciate it.

NEW & Old Business

** Voted repair funds for the WA1NPO repeater controller. See above **

KC1KIT Tom Kirkaldy made a very generous donation to the club. Thank you. We sincerely appreciate it.

Bob WA1Q Reminded folks that the K1USN Great Hill gang will be running a weekly On The Air Swap net every Friday evening at 8:00PM on the Marshfield W1ATD repeater. Frequency 145.390MHz PL 67.0. and via Echo-Link. Everyone is welcome.

Reminder that nominations are needed for the May meeting for the President and Treasurer as well as 2 board member positions will need to be filled. If anyone wants to run for VP or Secretary they can as well of course.

Mike WA1MAD Followed up with a new contact at the Y in East Bridgewater. It's looking good for us to have our annual Field Day event there. I am sure social distancing will be a must and we will have to follow the recommended rules. But it is looking good. Thank You Mike !!

Bob WA1Q will follow up with Paul or Rob from the Plimoth Plantation now called (Plimoth Patuxet Museum to see if we have a chance this year of holding our annual Thanksgiving event this year.

One of our new members **Joe Chiusano KC4JVC** volunteered to help us revamp the Website as well. This will be highly appreciated. We will move on this soon.

Paul KB1MTW Reported that tentatively the Burial of SK **Bill Hayden N1FRE** will be in Bourne at the National Cemetery on April 24th or 25th with a get together after at the Standish Grille in Whitman. This is not confirmed yet and has been delayed. The Hayden family will notify us of the actual date.

Mike WA1MAD brought up the discussion of changing the Marshfield Special Event call sign to Bill Hayden's N1FRE from the current NN1MF. **Paul KB1MTW** will follow up with **Jeff N1SOM** and Mrs Hayden and will report to us at May's meeting.

Scott W1MBH started a discussion on raising the current dues of \$25 per year to \$30 per year to help raise additional revenue to help with club events etc. After a discussion it was decided to table the discussion until a future date.

The next mid-month MOTA will be on Wed Apr 21st @7:30PM with the weekly 28.333MHz Rag Chew net to follow at 8:00PM.

Motion to adjourn made by **Jeff WK1D** with a second by **John W1G**. Motion passed a quorum vote as there were no objections over the air.

Paul W1GTX adjourned the meeting at 7:50 PM, 4/07/2021

NOTE: The Next meeting is scheduled for Wed May 5th , 2021 at 7 PM and will be a Hybrid meeting in person and via Zoom. Note the K of C in Whitman is limited to 100 souls.

Note: As a reminder if your callsign changes please let us know. License upgrades etc. Please notify if there are any errors in this report and they will be corrected by the secretary.