



Minutes of the Meeting of July 10, 2019, in the EM Conference Room in the County Annex, 198 Neel Ave. The meeting was called to order at 1930 by President Jim Lommen. Introductions where in order.

Presentation – Jim Lommen, Brad Smith, Ray Calkins, others: “2019 Field Day Activities”, including a section on hydrogen balloon projects. Paul Harden commented on the benefits of 40m and recommend a dedicated inverted Vee next year. The club made 200 QSOs. Brad and Ray launched a beacon on a hydrogen balloon.

Business Meeting - Approval of agenda, motion by Ray Calkins, approved. June 2019 meeting minutes approval motion deferred until the meeting next month due to late posting.

Announcements - Apollo 11 50th anniversary 19 Jul Macey, 6 pm.
Chile Harvest Triathlon 2,3 Aug.
Albuquerque Tailgate 3 Aug.
RM division convention 8-10 Aug, Ogden, UT.
Duke City Hamfest 20-21 Sept. SARA will have a table.

New Business Reports (brevity will be appreciated)

Treasury - Henry Newton KC5YWA

Beginning balance

\$9852.21 Wells Fargo

\$3257.68 First State

\$42.79 PayPal

\$00.00 Amazon

\$55.00 deposits (dues collected)

\$645.45 TARA balance

\$12,562.23 ending balance, less TARA

ARES - Al Braun AC5BX: All the usual nets, Wed night Socoro county ARES net, tri-county ARES net on Thursday night, first Sunday each month, MCOM net from the AOC. Testing a point to point WinLink via AOC.

Repeater - Ray Calkins N0RBT

APRS back up.

Al Braun reports problems getting through to Sandia Crest from the digipeater.

Hamfest - Jim Lommen KC7QY

ARRL sanction approval received.

Old Business

County agreement pending.

Still getting responses on change of meeting time.

New Business

Triathlon. Fri 6 pm, needs two additional operators.

Sat needs around 8 operators starting 7am.

Thursday evening pre-race meeting, Dave Finley is the POC.

SARA has an Internet group: <https://groups.io/g/SocorroARA>

Great tool for for group discussions and file sharing.

Good of the Organization

Doug May is being treated for back problems.

Discussion of attempted takeover of the 2 meter band.

Discussion of repeater site fee.

Adjournment at 2030