

Colorado Council of Amateur Radio Clubs
Fall Meeting – October 7th, 2006
Summit County Library
Silverthorne, CO

The meeting was called to order at 1:13 PM by Chairman Tim Armagost, WB0TUB

(The meeting was scheduled for 1:00 PM but the library didn't actually open until 1:00 PM and it took a few minutes to get everyone in and seated).

Thanks were extended to Paul Shackelford, WBØQMR for hosting the meeting.

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

It was Moved and Seconded to accept the minutes of the previous meeting with a correction noted by the Treasurer: The balance stated on the Treasurer's report should read \$6,124.67. The Motion was agreed to.

Introductions of attending delegates; and the Treasurer affirmed that all delegates in attendance were current. In attendance were:

Tim Armagost	WB0TUB	Chair
John Maxwell	N0WBW	Vice Chair
Wayne Heinen	N0POH	Treasurer
Jeff Ryan	K0RM	Secretary
Doug Sharp	K2AD	Frequency Coordinator
Bryan Steinberg	KC0CUA	Coordination Administrator
Eileen Armagost	WB0DGL	Denver Radio League
Ulrich Hauser	KB9TTI	Boulder Amateur Radio Club
Ken Niles	KC0PBQ	Big Sandy ARC
Bob Witte	K0NR	Colorado VHF Group
Ted Lungwitz	KC0TED	Pueblo Ham Club
Jim Widlar	W8ERI	Breckenridge Amateur Radio Club

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's report was given. It is attached and incorporated into these minutes by reference. It was Moved and Seconded to accept the report and the Motion was agreed to.

BPL:

The ARRL's plans to file an appeal in federal court concerning certain aspects of the FCC's Part 15 rules governing broadband over power line (BPL) systems was discussed. It was Moved and Seconded: "to notify the ARRL RM Division Director that the CCARC supports the efforts of the League in the filing of this appeal". The Motion was agreed to. (Note -- email was sent to the RM Division Director by K0RM)

Web Site:

The CCARC Web Site was discussed. The sign-in sheet included a place to sign up for the CCARC Reflector which will be used to disseminate information about the CCARC or matters of interest to CCARC delegates. Thanks were extended to John, N0WBW for maintaining the site.

Frequency Coordinator's Report:

The server hosting coordination files went down and coordinations are currently off-line. It was Moved and Seconded that \$200. be donated to Mountaintop Associates to help offset costs associated with maintenance of the server where CCARC data resides. The Motion was agreed to.

It was Moved and Seconded that the CCARC present a plaque and \$50.00 gift card each to John Thomson, N5EHP and Kent Roberts, N0PSR thanking them for their support of the CCARC. The Motion was agreed to.

Cross-border coordinations are suffering from slow or no response from Wyoming and Utah (other bordering state coordinations are not at issue). The Frequency Coordinator reminded delegates that the FCC requires cross-coordination with adjacent areas. He will continue his efforts to obtain the necessary coordination. There were no Motions introduced to take further action at this time.

Mailing: Per Council's directive the CCARC mails to repeater trustees every year to obtain current coordination responses. There is a December 1st response deadline. A further discussion ensued about methods of 'chasing down' delinquent responders and paper repeaters. The Frequency Coordination Committee will take the responsibility for this. There were no Motions introduced to take any further action at this time.

There was a question about how much the emergency and special event frequencies set aside in the Colorado frequency use plan are really used. Some members were unaware of the use of these frequencies but others said they were very well used. (Note: a follow up email from Bob, K0NR reiterated that these frequencies are heavily used in the Pikes Peak region).

Section Manager's Report:

Activities of the ARRL included:

- The preparation to file an appeal in federal court over certain aspects of the FCC's rules concerning BPL.
- Homeland Security Appropriations Act, HR5441, includes Amateur Radio as a part of the emergency communications community
- An RFI case in Lake City, handled by Riley Hollingsworth.

Unfinished Business:

Maps: Costs have gone up due to increases in petroleum. Wholesale cost will be \$2.25 and retail price is \$3.00. There is a desire to make the maps available on the CCARC web site.

New Business:

Nominating Committee: Volunteers were solicited and the following committee was established:

Chair - Jeff Ryan, KØRM

Member - Bob Witte, KØNR

Member - Tim Armagost, WBØTUB

It was Moved and Seconded to allow the Treasurer to establish a PayPal account for the CCARC. The Motion was agreed to.

It was Moved and Seconded that the CCARC accept the Denver Radio Aficionados International as a new member of the Council. The Motion was agreed to, and Terry Hill, NØPQV was seated as their delegate. (Applause)

Next Meeting:

The next CCARC meeting will be held April 28th in Aurora. (Specific venue TBD) The program will be on IRLP. The Pueblo Ham Club offered facilities for the October, 2007 meeting which is scheduled to take place on October 20th (2007).

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Jeff Ryan, KØRM
Secretary