Grayson County Amateur Radio Club October 15, 2024 Meeting Minutes Secretary Cynthia VanSlogteren K5EKA

President Michael Higgins KI5ZIQ started the meeting at 7:00 and welcomed everyone. After the Pledge of Allegiance Michael we went around the room and introduced ourselves.

Michael talked about the Club Trailer. Vice President, James Shiplet KI5BMN. We need to have a work day. See Shiplet after the meeting, please.

We had the Secretary Report by Cynthia VanSlogteren K5EKA which is posted on the website. The grant we applied for offered by ARRL, is under review. May hear in November. Voted new member in: Danny K Shaver, N5NBK of Gainesville, who paid by paypal.

James Frank gave the Treasurer's Report which is also posted on our website.

Marvin Schiavone KG5GMA gave the ARES Training report. Marvin showed the map of the county showing the quadrants and simplex frequencies, by EOC (Emergency Operation Center of Grayson County. If we get sent out to use simplex in case of repeaters being overwhelmed and to isolate the information pertaining to the emergency situation. Butch told us about his church's simplex plan which extends further past the county lines. He will share it with us.

GCARC Net — Net controls are set Ladies Net October 28 —147.280 plus Echolink 831760.

Announcement: Hungry Hams Breakfast - Oct Board Of Directors meeting Nov 5 Next club meeting November 19. Election of Officers Nov 19. Christmas Party Dec. 17 7:00 pm

Club meeting training topics: Tonight: James Shiplet — CPR Extras Talk Radio — panel discussion November 19 — year wrap-up, elections for next year's officers.

Family Fun Days, Eisenhower Birthday Celebration — 225 contacts

Discord Board is set up. Having difficulties getting connected and we're working through that.

Michael played a news item about ham radio helping in the hurricane in North Carolina.

Friendly announcement: Cynthia's group, Oh Shoot, will be having a campout on Nov 8 -10 for purposes of seeing how prepared you might be for whatever. "Choose your level of hardship"

Christmas Party — options Mariachis — \$20 per person — add the gratuity in. With our increased membership, we may not fit. Mells Grill Convention Center: \$200 rental / \$15 per person — add the gratuity in Anyone with another alternative, let us know. \$100 / hour Send out RSVP mailing with cut off before next meeting. Could we put some of our Christmas fund toward it. \$639.

We need Net Control operators for Jan, Feb, Mar, etc. Let us know.

Nomination of Officers: Michael Higgins for President Tamara Higgins for Vice President James Shiplet for Vice President Cynthia VanSlogteren for Secretary James Frank for Treasurer

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The Presentation was given by James Shiplet, KI5BMN, taught a CPR course.

The ticket winners tonight were: the 50/50 drawing was won by Butch and he donated it to the Club. The door prize was a soldering kit won by Mike Hawk K5PKF.

The meeting was adjourned — 8:55

Attendance: 29

K5EKA Cynthia J. VanSlogteren KG5GMA Marvin D Schiavone KI5ZIP Tamara L Higgins KI5ZIQ Michael A Higgins KG5FDT Ricky Jessen KG5SKM Andrew Bentley AK4TX Christin Umsted KG5SJY James A Johnson KI5BMN James R Shiplet KW5CW James J Frank KD5KPR David W Anderson AA5KK Donnie M Phipps N3HT Butch Todd KD0ZWV Gregory G Stratton N5SLY Lee Sly K5PKF Michael D Hawk KI5BWO Alice A Hawk KJ5BFD Joe F Hayes W5DRT David R Turner

KG5ECG John B. Flanders W5DTG James M Stafford III AB5MC Michael A Coffman KI5NUK Ralph F. Jerome KG5GFI Cody Williams KC5NK Steven Ollman David Paige

Guests Attending: (3) KJ5FOQ Laurie Thompson KI5TWM David Older Lanry Barker