



Piscataquis Amateur Radio Club

Secretary's Report for the February 23, 2022 Meeting

In attendance were: George-WA1JMM, Kevin-W1KMC, Debbie E.-K1DAE, Lloyd-K2KJ, Dave R.-KB1WRZ, Phil-W1ORQ, Dave H.-KC1MPB
GUESTS: Joe-WA2GBP

Piscataquis Amateur Radio Club vice-president Kevin Carman (W1KMC) convened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

The secretary's report was accepted as posted on website and the treasurer's report was read and accepted. Treasury had \$ 600.64 -- \$200.00 for insurance and unknown amount to Versant.

No reports from K2KJ-Lloyd as trustee.

There were some issues with Net Control as the storm was passing through that night, but Stickney Hill was still on Power and not battery.

Pre-Net Net lost power and W1KMC and K1DAE were unable to reconnect with echolink that night.

OLD BUSINESS: None discussed

NEW BUSINESS: Piscataquis River Race

Kevin-W1KMC attended the first meeting regarding the race on 2/21 at noon in Dover-Foxcroft. This meeting was more like a meet and greet for the organizers (and since this was Kevin's first as VP met the organizers for the first time), with the 'nuts and bolts' meeting to come.

A second meeting was scheduled for March 21 at Noon at the same place (Moulton Avenue School – aka Dover Foxcroft City Hall building). Dave R.-KB1WRZ has offered to join Kevin for the next meeting.

Piscataquis EMA has a new director, who was at the meeting and she and Kevin had talked a bit after the meeting as well as taking a look at the EMA Comms trailer, which has a 2M radio in it. The new director is Jaeme Duggan. She and Kevin got to discussing the Milo bunker again and its use. She also has two planners that were going to take their exams (after our meeting Kevin called her and these two were taking their tests that weekend). The use of the bunker again may be a moot point due to a comment she made during the phone call.

We are going to need at least 24 operators to cover all points we have in the past, if you can assist, give Kevin a call at 207-631-2593 and he will keep track of volunteers.

Kevin had suggested a Face-2-Face at Elaine's one morning with W1KMC, WA1JMM and KB1WRZ and any others who want to help plan the race, but (see Addendum 2), this may be a Face-2-Face monthly meeting in March on the 23rd.

Acknowledgements:

Next Meeting will be March 23rd, 2022 at 19:00 (7:00pm) at the Milo Town Office(or on-air –keep an eye on the website).

ADDENDUM:

SAD NEWS—SK : N1OJH Tom Lambert had passed on 2/23 but W1KMC did not find out until that Saturday – Obit/News article on K1PQ website

WA1JMM and WA1PBR are NOT going to seek re-election for 2022 as President and Treasurer respectively. Our nominations are in April and Elections in May. We are going to NEED a Face-2-Face to determine new officers or what will happen if no one is able to serve (Suspend/Disband). W1KMC does not wish to see this happen, but we are not getting younger or more people able to serve in these roles. Members need to make their wishes known. You can come to a meeting, discuss on Wednesdays On-Air meetings or call W1KMC at 207-631-2593 with your thoughts (or email him at w1kmc@arrl.net).

Respectfully submitted by K1DAE Debbie Ellis – Secretary.