Lakeland Amateur Radio Club Board meeting March 14, 2016

Members Present were:

Officers: Rich Kennedy, Matthew Stevens, Bill Johnson, Patrick O'Neal

Board members: Stephanie Hildreth, Bob Siegel, Jeff Schuck, David Zdanowicz, Jim Stewart, Ernie Hanes, Kevin Rought (by phone), Mike Oliver

## Members absent: Al Sheppard, Jim Stewart

- Rich made contact with the Gail Taugh of the Kathleen Historical Society, in preparation for the club's presence at this event. Rich and Ernie will make an advanced trip to pick a good spot. Setup will be 7:00 AM Saturday.
- Rich spoke at length about the Jupiter Research Foundation. There is a high probability that we can have a representative from this organization speak at a club meeting. <u>http://jupiterfoundation.org/about-us.shtml</u> The connection with Amateur Radio is that one of their devices uses PSK31 to relay data from one of their research buoys to land based receivers. This group also has its own Amateur Radio Club. Hams can actually communicate with this floating station, and even get logged into the Logbook of the World after contact.
- Matthew announced that there would be an on the air event to celebrate the official incorporation date of the club. This will take place Thursday, March 17<sup>th</sup>. Those wishing to participate should contact Matthew, who is coordinating this event. When using the club's call sign, only one person per band is allowed on the air in the same time slot.
- Kevin suggested dates for the next tailgate party. The same rules as last time will apply, but will start earlier, 6:00 AM, to accommodate those who wish to set up earlier. Table charge will again be \$5. Kevin will call pastor Randy "Rusty." Richard will make sure we have tables. The date settled upon was July 23, 2016.
- Ernie mentioned that an individual, associated with the Boy Scouts, attended our meeting in January. That individual has not asked for assistance at this time. Most likely, the club's involvement would be to offer literature, and possibly direction.
- Patrick mentioned that the IRS paperwork has been taken care of. Our incorporation papers now show the new address and board members. Patrick has money earmarked for the Lakeland Wounded Warrior Walk, and asked if we had made any progress contacting someone in that national group. Repeated attempts to date by Rich have not met with a response. Patrick mentioned that Matthew should be reimbursed for his cost in sending out club QSL cards. The club received donations from Amazon Smile. It was only \$7.00 but at least it is a start. In addition, the club got a donation from Mike's employer. Dues are due in April. Patrick will send out a reminder. The audit for last year was completed. Everything was satisfactory.
- Business cards were brought up. Bill made a motion to order a limited number of club business cards with the current address on them. It was carried.

- Rich mentioned that our new repeater is not accurately represented on our website. Mike will work with Richard Sharp to make the changes.
  Bill encouraged everyone present, as well as the club at large, via the blog, to attend the Kathleen Historical Society's event.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Johnson, Secretary



Cash in Checking Account per Bank Statement January 29th, 2016

\$5,032.28

## Add: Receipts

Account Title	A	mount	
Membership: Renewals Membership: New Members Donations (Amazon, YourCause) Exchange (HamCatlon tickets)	\$	175.00 50.00 72.12 182.00	
Total Receipts			\$ 479.12
Total Beginning Bank Statement Balance and Receipts during Period			\$5511.40
Less: Expenditures			

## Less: Ex

Tags & Plaques	\$ 59.00	
SunBiz (State of Florida)	61.25	
Exchange (HamCation tickets)	182.00	

## **Total Expenditures** \$ 302.25

Cash in Checking Account per Bank Statement February 29th, 2016 \$5209.15

Patrick B. O'Neil Treasurer Lakeland Amateur Radio Club