LAKELAND AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Meeting Minutes Club Meeting 01/03/11

The Lakeland Amateur Radio Club had their monthly meeting at Westminster Presbyterian Church on 01/03/11. The minutes of this meeting are as follows:

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by President Ernie KG4YNI.
- 2. Marvin KI4CDZ club Treasurer is accepting 2011 dues
- 3. All attendees introduced themselves. There were 35 present.
- 4. Ernie announced that 2011 dues were due. Anyone who was a member in 2010 should have a badge.
- 5. Ernie announced need of a backup for Secretary and Treasurer. Bob Foxworth K2EUH volunteered for backup treasurer and Bill Johnson KI4ZMV volunteered for backup secretary.
- 6. Ernie requested volunteers to assist Joe Pirkle on the education committee.
- 7. An excellent program was presented by Richard Sharp K4LKL repeater trustee on the Florida Repeater Council's proposed narrow banding for 2M. The changes are slated to take effect in 2020. A lively and lengthy discussion followed. In general the proposal was **not** looked on too favorably as it would cause a lot of existing equipment to become unusable and result in potential disruption among hams using 2 M and communication with other states not using NBFM. It was noted this was not a form of digital communication mode but only reducing modulation deviation to reduce bandwidth and thus provide more channels in the currently allocated frequencies by the FCC. The FRC is accepting comments.
- 8. Hams are meeting on Tuesdays at Nana's kitchen restaurant at 9am.
- 9. We were reminded to bring food for VISTE to the March club meeting
- 10.10 tickets to Hamcation in Orlando were purchased by the club for resale to members. Available first come first served
- 11.Patrick, program chairman, requested club meeting program suggestions from attendees. Suggestions included: QRP and kit building, D Star, and other others. Suggestions can be emailed to him

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