

## Upper Lake Livingston Wireless Association Minutes February 8, 2018

The meeting was called to order by President Dom LeRouax at 7:00 PM who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A moment of silence was observed in honor of deceased club members.

There was one guest introduced by Larry Pfeil (KE5YHI); a young man name Jason Shults who is a student at Livingston High currently studying for tech license. Ten members were in attendance: KE5YOW KE5YOX KF5YHI KG5SOT KO5K KD5UAD KG5AWU N5LER W5QVK KG5PWB.

Both the Secretary's Report and the Treasurer's Report (balance \$6959.01) were approved.

The repeaters show no evidence of trouble. Maintenance will be needed at the 04: hardy plank sheathing, general weatherproofing. The battery was installed at the 04, installation at the 35 is undone. General cleaning at the shack needed. No date was set for either.

The ARES report was a dismal 25 man hours due to very few check-ins on Tuesday night and no Skywarn action. Nets are at 745 PM 145.35 830 PM 147.04.

This is a good way to check out your equipment as there will be someone listening for your transmission.

The Public Information Officer/Treasurer/Mobile Command Caretaker? (KG5CMC) was not present.

To review the fund raising project details: A rifle as first prize, a shotgun as second prize, and a handgun as third prize (replacing each winning ticket in the pool) in a manner similar to a successful raffle in San Jacinto county. 500 tickets at twenty dollars each are to be sold with a maximum of two thousand dollars allotted to purchase the firearms.

A motion to have President Don LeRouax (N5LER) contact appropriate dealers and choose appropriate firearms. Motion carried. Dealers were contacted, weapons have been chosen, tickets have been ordered.

Club license W5LWA has been renewed, Trustee is W5QVK, expiration date now April 2028

Net controllers: in March W5QVK; April N5LER; May KE5YOW. Members are encouraged to "get in the game" you need practice, it is a good way to get to know the calls of others, and nobody but nobody will bite your head off (all of us who do it still have their heads although some of us have only a little hair now. A comment was made that Net control should ask, and perhaps require, a phonetic rendering their call sign from all net check-ins.

The owner of the 442.150 repeater, tone 103.5, antenna located 400 feet above ground level in San Jacinto county, requests amateurs to please utilize his repeater which is under-utilized (as if the 04 repeated is now active) Try it out, it is an alternate on a different power grid!

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