

## LARA Meeting Minutes 05/23/2015

President Len Shipp KC5MPX, called the meeting to order at 8:28 AM

Officers Attending: Len Shipp KC5MPX, Sharon Howard KE5JUI, Jim Lavin K5VZ

Meeting Minutes from Last Meeting: Past meeting minutes were approved as posted on the website. Motioned by Dan Howard KE5CIR, Steve Kline W5JK

Treasurer's Report was given by Sharon Howard KE5JUI: Beginning Balance \$145 Checking, \$25 Savings, New Memberships \$75, J-Pole Build \$200 Final balance: \$423. Report was approved as presented by Jim Horton WB8WYA, seconded by Jim Lavin K5VZ and approved by the members.

Technical Report was given by Len Shipp KC5MPX: The 145.170 repeater had some cross talk from 444.050 repeater due to the shared controller between the repeaters. Also, Mike Chittenden AE5IV realigned the duplexers on the 145.170 to correct a desensing issue. Report was approved as presented by Sharon Howard KE5JUI, seconded by Brian Ulmer KC5MPY and approved by the members.

New members attending: Bob Burkett K5DCZ, Jim Horton WB8WYA and Dave Smith.

### New Business:

- HF Day in the park – Looking at the group bringing their radios and operating in the park. Date in the future to be set at a future meeting.
- Dipole build – At the J-Pole Build the group expressed interest in building di-pole antennas. The leadership is working on the logistics, need to find mains power for Mike Chittenden's equipment along with a couple of temporary towers to raise the di-poles for tuning.
- Newsletter – Dan Howard KE5CIR, published the first issue of the newsletter and gave copies to all of the attending members. Will work to email the next issue as well as post it on the web site.
- Radio Programming – Dan Howard KE5CIR, mentioned about starting a database of what programming apps and cables the members have so we the club would have points of contacts to program new radios as members acquire them.
- Web Site – The new web site has been completed and is reachable at <http://w5lvc.org>. IF you would like your picture on the member page please send them to Jim Lavin at [jlavin@jimlavin.net](mailto:jlavin@jimlavin.net).
- Yahoo Group – Jim Lavin K5VZ has set up a Yahoo Group for the club. It has a mailing list and file area for archiving club presentations and information. You can join it by going to <https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/w5lvc/info> or sending an email to [w5lvc-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:w5lvc-subscribe@yahoogroups.com) with the title of Subscribe and the word subscribe in the email. If you have issues you can contact Jim Lavin at [jlavin@jimlavin.net](mailto:jlavin@jimlavin.net)

Old Business:

- J-Pole Build – The club raised \$200 from the build. The Lewisville Lowes donated a large part of the materials used in the build. Jim Lavin K5VZ cooked breakfast for all who attended. Mike Chittenden AE5IV did a great job helping everyone to tune each of the 13 antennas built.
- LELA Run – The LELA Run was cancelled due to the localized flooding and will be rescheduled for a later date.

Motion to close meeting was made by Dan Howard KE5CIR, seconded by Bryan Ulmer KC5MPY and the members approved closing the meeting at 9:30 AM