

Minutes for SARA Meeting of December 2nd, 2015
Saratoga Fire Department

Attendees:

The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:30 PM by John Glass NU6P, President. Attendees introduced themselves and the attendance roster was circulated. There were 6 SARA members and 1 guest present.

Old Business:

A board meeting is needed to plan future activities. John is looking at dates in mid-February.

New Business:

Annual elections could not be held, since a quorum was not present. The slate of candidates includes John NU6P as President, Roger KC6LEW as Vice President, and W6WS as Secretary, and Don as Treasurer. Roger noted that he may only be able to serve for half the year, so Axel may take over. We will hold elections at the January meeting – provided there is a quorum.

Minutes Approval:

November minutes were provided to Don for posting on the web site. Walter needs to provide some older minutes.

Treasurers Report:

Bank balance: \$4,967.54
Cash on hand: None
Paid members: 22

Bills outstanding: None

The IRS forms need to be filled out. Walter will handle it.

Net Checkin Report:

Net check-ins for November: 15, 17, 18, 18

Emergency Services Report:

There was a discussion on the proposed move of the EOC back to City Hall. In any event, we would like to maintain a presence at the fire station. No news on when the EOC might move..

Calendar Items:

Tim Maguire would like to speak at the March 2016 meeting.

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, Jan 6th. Program will be Roger Smith discussing restoration and use of boat anchor radios – Part 2. He will be covering Hallicrafters, Collins, and maybe Johnson. If you have a boat anchor you would like to bring for Show N Tell, please do.

Program:

Roger Smith gave a great talk on Boat Anchor radios, focusing on the history of National and Hammarlund. The 1935 National HRO is considered the radio which started the Boat Anchor era. Hammarlund traced its roots to a variable capacitor design in 1916. They began producing receivers starting with the 1931 Comet. The HQ (ham) receivers were produced until 1972.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.