VARA, Inc. On-Air/ZOOM Meeting of November 3, 2020

At 7 pm, Net Control Norm Dallura KN4YFI began the on-air meeting, again using the 145.290 repeater. He was assisted by Erika Kancler K4NOV. The following hams checked in:

KM4GPZ Wayne, WA4FJC Gordon, KF4FC Fred, N3GLZ John, KN4ILH Frank, KE4HVR Ray,

KC8MTV Kevin, KB2LOZ John, K4NRP Daniel, KE4KEW Marty, K4ON Mark, W4PJW Jeff, WD3O Dave, N4RLI Ralph, AD4TJ David, K2ULW Ray, AD4VA Allen, KN4WDF Faye, KN4UEK Dave, W4PFW Peter. There were 11 hams or so who were on the ZOOM meeting (only AK4VQ Pat and David Lord {call?} were there but not on the air for the meeting).

John, KB2LOZ Treasurer, gave his report, and asked that it be approved. The motion to approve was made and seconded; the report was approved. He noted that the PayPal system of paying dues is working fine.

John made the 2nd reading of Bradley W4BVB’s membership application; he was approved without hesitation. Congratulations, Bradley!

David AD4TJ, Secretary, asked for approval of the secretary’s minutes as sent out via email to the members; motion made and seconded; minutes were approved.

ARES: David AD4TJ: hurricane season ends the last day of November. The next Augusta County ARES® Net will be held Nov. 12th, at 8 pm, on the simplex frequency of 146.550, with himself being Net Control.

David reminded all of the valley google group; if someone is not on the list, send him an email, and he will get you on the list.

Old business: Norm reminded us of the new officers: President Norm KN4YFI, VP John N3GLZ, Secretary Pat AK4VQ, Treasurer John KB2LOZ. John thanked those who stepped up to serve; and thanked those (David Fordham KD9LA and others of the MARA club) who are helping with the estate (ham radio-wise) of K3JRR.

New business: Norm said there is another Fox Hunt planned for the 21st, again run by the MARA club.

John N3GLZ suggested that the dues payment details be sent out to all to remind them how and when to pay VARA dues. They are both on the VARA website.

Kevin KC8MTV thanked John for setting up the PayPal method. He suggested John send out a reminder of the Amazon Smile program for selecting VARA, Inc as the charity to donate to. John noted that Norm actually set up the PayPal dues payment. And John said that he can take only partial credit for the Amazon Smile situation; Lenny N4LXP was the driver behind getting that done.

With no other business to conduct, we adjourned at 7:23 pm.

Respectfully submitted, David AD4TJ, Secretary