**A Meeting of the Valley Amateur Radio Association, Inc. held at Armstrong’s Restaurant and via Zoom.**

**Secretary’s Note:** Due to a scheduling conflict, the November meeting was held on Wednesday, November 3. Article 4 Section 1 of the By-Laws provides that notice of rescheduled meeting needs to be sent to the membership at least five days in advance. Email notice can serve the purpose. Notice of the rescheduled meeting was emailed to the membership on October 21, October 26, and November 1.

The November meeting of the Membership of the Valley Amateur Radio Association, Inc. was called to order at 7 p.m., Wednesday, November 3, 2021, by Norman Dallura, KN4YFI, President. Thirteen members and one guest attended in person, one guest attended via Zoom.

**Treasurer’s Report**

The Treasurer report was read by John Chevalaz, KB2LOZ, and was approved as presented. Bob Clemmons’, N1SFR, application for club membership was approved. The first reading of the application for membership of Ed Tutwiler, WA4TPE was made.

**Secretary's Report**

The Secretary's report was previously submitted to the membership via email. The Secretary reported receiving no corrections to the draft minutes. The minutes, as presented, were accepted.

**ARES Report**

It was announced that the Augusta County ARES net would be held on November 11 at 8 p.m. on a frequency of 147.075. John Chevalaz, KB2LOZ, will be net control. Members were reminded that there was still 4 weeks left to go in hurricane season.

**Old Business**

No Old Business was discussed.

**New Business**

The President explained the conflict that caused the meeting to be rescheduled. Tuesday, November 2 was election day and the Republican Party had previously reserved the Armstrong’s meeting room for a post-election party. As VARA is now reserving the room for all of its monthly meetings, it is not likely that such a conflict will arise again.

It was announced that the Christmas meeting will be held at Golden Coral in Waynesboro on December 7 at 5:30 p.m. There will be a gift exchange at the meeting. Members who wished to participate in the exchange were asked to bring gifts of a value of $10.00 or less.

John Lasher, N3GLZ, reported that Tim Miller of the Shenandoah Valley Electric Cooperative informed him that the Cooperative had a bunch of surplus Tait radios that can be modified to work on the 220 band. If the Cooperative receives IRS approval, they may make the radios available to VARA, as it is a 501(c)(3) organization.

The President sought volunteers to make presentations for future meetings. Possible topics discussed were Wikilink and satellite operations.

The 50/50 drawing was held, and one prize was awarded.

After the business portion of the meeting was completed, made a presentation by John Gnatowski, KG4FJC, on the Amateur Radio Emergency Darta Network mesh currently being constructed in the Valley .

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Patrick J. Morgan

Secretary