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February 23, 2019 Club Meeting

President Nelson Spohnheimer W7KVI presided over the meeting and the meeting was called to order at 10:08 AM with a Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was held at Firehouse 28 in Burien, WA.

Attendance: 25 present

• Names of those present are on file.

Greetings/Around the room:

• A roll call was made and attendees introduced themselves by name and call sign if applicable.

General Discussion:

- The minutes from the January meeting were M/S/C by the general membership with no additional comments of corrections. Treasurer Duane Gibb KF7ZMZ presented the February treasury report via the projector which was M/S/C by the membership. The treasury report had been sent as an attachment to the meeting announcement e-mail.
- 20 HARC members are now part of the Amazon Smile program which brings additional revenue to the club.
- There is no update to the MOU with Seatac and the RFA. HARC is requesting internets drops to link the repeaters into such programs like IRLP, WIRES etc.
- There was free form discussion on how we dealt with the challenges presented by the recent snowfalls.
- Repeater interference has been noted from Rattlesnake (147.200 MHz 131.8 Hz tone) and Baldi Mtn (146.980 MHz 131.8 Hz tone). Additional analysis will be

required to understand the mechanism which simultaneously gets both repeaters into the HARC 2 meter repeater.

- Several photos of Bill Harris' (W7KXB) vintage gear were projected. HARC will have two tables at the Puyallup flea market and several members agreed to help transport the gear to the storage locker and from there to the Puyallup. The amount of inventory might enable HARC to have a swapmeet in the late summer or fall. Bill is now proposing a 50/50 split of the sales revenue with half going to HARC.
- We need a focal for the 5th Saturday exercise on March 30th since Trustee Ken Higgins KE7GOW will be away.
- Election ballots will be sent by e-mail to current paid up HARC members in early March. Mark Richards KA7OVQ has volunteered to serve on the nominating committee along with Wesley Spohnheimer WA7KVI.
- George Hoffman W7POE gave the propagation report showing no sunspots and a predicted future solar flux of 60. George also showed the contest calendar including information for the ARRL SSB DX contest and the CQ WW WPX scheduled for Mar 30 & 31.
- We are always looking for net control operators for the Tuesday evening HARC/ STAR net.

<u>Adjourn:</u>

President Nelson Spohnheimer W7KVI adjourned the meeting at 11:20 AM.

Activities/Announcements/Presentations:

The program was entitled *38 years ago in QST* and it was a trip down memory lane. President Nelson Spohnheimer W7KVI showed his knowledge of equipment of that era including the Collins S line and the KWM 380. The IC2AT was the popular HT at the time.

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