# Rocky Mountain Ham Radio Annual Meeting Saturday June 26, 2021 Jefferson, CO

#### Present at the meeting:

James Cizek Doug Sharp Scott Taylor Mark Skelton Mike Gurski Jeff Carrier Mike Langhenry Lisa Pettis Willem Schreuder Wayne Heinen John Maxwell Rob Wright Paul Olson Chris Hamilton **Ben Matthews Doug Gentges** 

John Maxwell called meeting to order 4:00pm

## **General Business**

- RMHAM has spent a lot of time with Colorado Connection on projects. RMHAM has not taken the time to determine the overall financial support required for each project.
- RMHAM members should try and discourage operators from conducting radio checks. Members should try and stimulate conversations vs radio checks. It is our responsibility to start conversations with new operators and discourage this behavior.

## **Treasurer's Report**

- \$6,000 unallocated revenue
- \$2,500 reserved funds.

## Income:

• Fundraisers

King Soopers Community Rewards – There are 17 people who have their King Soopers loyalty card linked to RMHAM. This program donates on average of \$180 per quarter!

Amazon Smile – Still receiving donations every quarter,

Individual Pledges – Receiving \$145.00 per month from individual pledges. Need to work on getting additional monthly pledges.

Colorado Gives – RMHAM is now signed up to receive donations from Colorado Gives. By signing up with Colorado Gives, employers can now match contributions.

#### • Fund Drives

Tripe C – Will do another fund drive matching if they have another successful year.

Mosquito Site will be the next project for the fund drive. Costs for this project will be split with Colorado Connection about \$5K total.

#### • Swapfest

ARA/RMHAM swapfest is scheduled for February 20, 2022. If we can find an outdoor venue, we can look at hosting another one.

#### **New Business:**

#### • DMR

Next expansion phase of the DMR will be to Sterling/Julesburg.

Waterdog (Montrose) site will be completed soon. The equipment is onsite. It just needs to get installed.

City of Gunnison and their Emergency Manager want Colorado Connection and RMHAM on their network. They currently have the space but the tower is overloaded so we're looking for alternatives.

#### • Microwave Network

There has not been a major outage for the past 3 years with OSPF.

Methodist site is currently inaccessible via road.. The landowner is not letting people on his land. Currently, the only way to access the site is by helicopter.

Northern Colorado club is continuing to build out their microwave network. There is a lot of joint use on the backbone and synergy between.

Western Slope - Ski Country Amateur Radio Club wants to build a partnership out West. RMHAM provided then with an equipment list to make sure they are compatible with the network.

Williem is working on the doppler project to create a window into multiple dopplers.

There is lots of activity on the network and is currently moving in the right direction. We need to work on obtaining more cash flow to support new the expansion sites.

### • RMHAM University

We need more speakers. It takes approximately 30 hours of prep for a 3-hour session.

Would like to go back to in-person training. We will be alternating between North and South locations if possible. We're scheduled for CCSD.

We will also continue to host zoom sessions when we go back in-person. Would like to get additional volunteers to help with video editing.

### • New Members

Jim Dixon, KA6ETE has contributed enough hours to be come a purple shirt.

## Officers

 Election for President, two contenders Jeff Ryan
Rob Wright – officially elected

Other officers re-elected by acclimation

- Vice President Scott Taylor
- Treasurer Wayne Heinen
- Secretary Lisa Pettis
- Chairman of the Board John Maxwell
- Directors:

Director of Continuing Education - Dr. Willem Schreüder Director of Information Technology - Joey Stanford Director of Technology - Doug Sharp Director at Large – Jeff Carrier Director at Large – James Cizek Director at Large – David Dean Director at Large – Chris Hamilton Director at Large – Jeff Ryan Director at Large – Mark Skelton

New director elected unanimously: Jeff Ryan

Next meeting will be held at the 2022 Field day location

Meeting adjourned at 16:42