



Whitman Amateur Radio Club Meeting on the Air 8/05/20

Bob Azanow WA1Q
Secretary

Chris Babbitt N1CFB
Vice President

Randy Mills KC1EFF
Treasurer

Paul Delory W1GTX
President

ATTENDANCE: 31

members and guests were present including 4 elected officers

W1GTX Paul Delory
WK1D Jeff Ayres
N1BSO John Laiosa
AG1B Ricard Metcalf
WA1MAD Mike Davis
KC1ITF Mark Hirtle
N4NMF Barry Kennedy
N1DH Dan Heather
KC1JMZ Ted Wojcik
K1WGU Bob Bass
WI1G John Murphy

WA1Q Bob Azanow
KB1MTW Paul Moss
WA1RIW Rich Carnes
N1IQI Loren Pimentel
WG1L Jim O'Rourke
KC1KIT Tom Kirkaldy
N1SOM Jeff Tracy
KC1EFF Randy Mills
KB1WNX Steve Lyons
N1PAU Paul Leavitt

N1CFB Chris Babbitt
KC1LKB Ernest Bazzinotti
W1EKG Ross Hochstrasser
KC1MMH Pete MacPherson
N1STV Steve Cote
KC1KIS Robert Kirkaldy
W1JGR John Ruppel
W1OD Steve Cohn
W1ODS John Chase
N1LWK Ken Desruisseau

* Any errors or omissions please let **WA1Q** know.

Secretary's Report:

President **Paul Delory W1GTX** called the on the air meeting to order at 7:00 PM 8/5/20 with the 4 elected officers on the air.

A quorum was on the present on the air.

Bob WA1Q emailed and published the July 2020 meeting notes on the club website. A motion to accept as read made by **Jeff WK1D** with a second by **Ross W1EKG**. Motion passed quorum vote as there were no on the air objections

The Treasurer **Randy KC1EFF** will presented the June and July 2020 treasures report in the August 5'th meeting due to a timing issue. A motion to accept as read made by **Jeff WK1D** with a second by **Jim WG1L**.

Motion passed quorum vote as there were no on the air objections

Health & Welfare report by **Richard AG1B**

Richard AG1B reported that get well card was sent to **Bill Hayden N1FRE**. We are wishing Bill and his family our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

Richard reported that he sent a condolence card past member **Jack Buckley W1AKN** family. Jack became a Silent Key on July 7th 2020. We will all miss Jack's enthusiasm and sense of humor. Here is a link to Jack's obituary

<https://www.legacy.com/obituaries/southofboston-ledger/obituary.aspx?n=john-t-buckley&pid=196471845&fhid=20834>

Update:

Also there is a celebration of life for our friend Bill Burke NR1FD in the works for August at the Middleboro Elks Lodge might be delayed. More information will be provided.

Weekly Public Service Net Control volunteers for Jul 5th to Aug 2nd :

- **Aug 09th : Jeff WK1D**
- **Aug 16th : Paul W1GTX**
- **Aug 23rd : Ross W1EKG**
- **Aug 30th : Jeff N1SOM**

New Members and Call sign updates:

Paul Leavitt N1PAU Submitted his membership application with the required references. Motion passed to accept Paul's application by a quorum vote as there were no on the air objections. Congratulations and Welcome to the club.

At the same time to make sure it is official **Mike Sellstone WB1FMA**, **Mike Freeman KB1SAM** and **Cary Johnson KB1TYI** membership applications were brought to the group to accept the applicants. Motion passed to accept both applications by a quorum vote as there were no on the air objections. Welcome to the club officially.

** If we forgot anyone please let us know.

Committee updates:

Training Committee: Ross W1EKG Update

NOTE: Due to the Coronavirus crisis any remaining in person has been cancelled for now. We will notify everyone when the classes will resume.

Ross reported that he is working on scheduling a Technician Class class in Sept. and a General Class as well after. He is contacting his contact at the Police station to see if we can do a socially distanced class. If not then he will be able to do remote classes using ZOOM. We will announce the dates and publish them on the Website as well.

Note: Additional info to follow in the Aug meeting.

Remember the new training email address Warc.Training@gmail.com

- **Repeater Committee: Jeff AJ1L** reported working well Status Quo
A big thank you Jeff for all the work you do keeping all of on the air not just on Whitman but all the other repeaters you service. It takes alot of dedication and we all appreciate it.
- **Field Day 2020**



Report from **Mike WA1MAD**. **Mike** thanked everyone that worked the 2020 Field Day event and submitted their log files to the ARRL referencing the Whitman Amateur Radio Club. We really appreciate it. Hopefully 2021 will be back to a normal event.
Thank you Mike for doing a great job with helping us. It was different and fun oo.

NEW & Old Business

Ross W1EKG announced that the fall Nearfest 2020 has also been cancelled to next year Spring of 2021. Tickets bought for this year will be honored in 2021 as well. Ross is planning to get advanced 2021 tickets as well and we will notify the members when he has them.

Ross also reported that the third Sunday of the month Cranland fly-in breakfasts at the Cranland International Airport have been cancelled for 2020 due to the current plague.

The next mid-month MOTA will be on Wed Aug 19th @7:30PM with the weekly 28.333mhz Rag Chew net to follow at 8:00PM.

Mike WA1MAD and Bob WA1Q Brought up the subject of Zoom training sessions similar to the K1USN club. One good meeting subject would be using Digital Modes on 2 meters and 440 like DMR or Fusion or D-Star or others. Also using Echolink or IRLP discussion. For HF we could have a discussion on FT8 and other modes.

Here is a link to the **K1USN** club page. <http://www.k1usn.com/>
Each of their sessions is recorded, and the links are posted in the middle of the main website page.

Paul KB1MTW mentioned that the Whitman Hanson cable network has a link to a video on our 2017 Field Day event at the East Bridgewater Y. He asked if we could share it with the group. This is a great presentation by club member **Eric Dresser W1EDR**.

Here is the link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z538JEXaGnc>

Paul also mentioned that the Plimoth Plantation event might be a no go this year as well due to the current plague.

Motion to adjourn made by **John WI1G** with a second by **Jeff WK1D**.

Motion passed a quorum vote as there were no objections over the air.

Paul W1GTX adjourned the meeting at 7:45 PM, 8/05/2020

NOTE: There is a possibility that the Sep 02, 2020 meeting at the K of C will be able to be held in person. There will be more information coming. If we can have the meeting, there will be guidelines we have to follow to stay socially distanced. If we cannot do the meeting at the K of C, Paul mentioned we could possibly meet in a different location or do another (MOTA) Meeting on Wednesday July 1st at 7:00 PM on the Whitman 147.225 +67 Repeater and possibly over ZOOM as well since we now have the account.

Note: As a reminder if your callsign changes please let us know. License upgrades etc. Please notify if there are any errors in this report and they will be corrected by the secretary.