



Piscataquis Amateur Radio Club

Secretary's Report for the August 24th, 2021 Meeting

In attendance were: W1KMC-Kevin, WA1PBR-Ben, KB1WRZ-Dave R., N1MRT-Ray, K2KJ-Lloyd, and on Video were K1DAE-Debbie E. and WA1REQ-Mike
GUESTS: N1VWH-Gary (May be member??)

Piscataquis Amateur Radio Club vice-president Kevin Carman (W1KMC) convened the meeting at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance in the absence of George-WA1JMM.

The secretary's report was accepted as posted on website and the treasurer's report was read and accepted. Treasury had \$ 1,001.27

Dave R-KB1WRZ spoke with Bill-KB1WEA about the K1PQ (444.950 + 103.5) repeater. It is still having some trouble due to power outages.

Ben-WA1PBR suggested maybe having a picnic for members when the weather cools down. We can discuss on the on-air meetings to see when.

Per Mike-WA1REQ, the Windsor Hamfest is cancelled.

This meeting was also on Video using Uberconference this time. The Milo Town Hall now has a Guest-WiFi network that will make things like this a bit better. We have two ways to do video now – the one we will use each week will be posted on k1pq.com's homepage as a large blue link – Uberconference has a call in number for those on the road or do not wish to use the video component – the other service (Jitsi) does not.

Using Uberconference , Just type your Name and Callsign to join. You DO NOT need to create an Uberconference account to join.

The Jitsi variant (Built into k1pq site on Video Linkup page requires a host to prevent others from hijacking resources. Once in the meeting, click on the 3 dots on your picture (or Black box if you don't want video) and rename yourself.

Both versions will ask for permission to use Camera and Microphone the FIRST time you access these options.

Kevin is doing this as a benefit to those who cannot make regular meetings due to limitations or distances. This may be a regular option if it works well but is not meant to supplant in person attendance of our group.

Meeting adjourned at 7:16pm (Lloyd Gary, and Kevin stayed outside for a while afterwards, talking. This lasted about 45 minutes to an hour.

Acknowledgements:

Next Meeting will be September 28th, 2021 at 19:00 (7:00pm) ONLINE only due to rise in C-19 cases in Piscataquis County. Please see K1PQ.Com to join.

ADDENDUM:

Respectfully submitted by K1DAE Debbie Ellis – Secretary