

The TSARC, INC. Harlingen/San Benito, Texas Amateur Radio Operators held their monthly meeting at the First Community Bank, 77 Sunshine Strip on Tuesday, October 3, 2006. Vice President, Pat Stotler, KB0TFK, called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. President, Rudy Monsevalles, KD5VMQ, was absent.

Minutes of the September 5, 2006 meeting written by Bob Raynor, W6LUY, were read and approved.

Treasurer, Steve Lipke, KD5GWV, gave his report. Cash on hand as of 9/2006 was \$1,570.46. Bank charge of \$2.50. New balance as of 10/3/06: \$1,567.96.

Jodi Law, KB0EG, read a letter from Bob Austin of Brownsville regarding an event at TEX-PAC, Port Isabel, Texas on November 11, 06. Shrimp, chicken and sausage will be served. Set up in morning - Food at noon. All Hams and guests are invited.

Steve Lipke, KD5GWV, read a notice from Ronald McDonald House. They appreciate our support.

OLD BUSINESS: Swap Fest to be January 13, 2007 at the Elks Lodge. Breakfast at 7:00 to 8:00 AM. Setup at 8:00 AM. Sales start at 8:30 AM. No cost for admission. No table cost. It will be in the main hall of the Elks Lodge. Bob Raynor made the arrangements.

Vote was held to buy a 2 meter/440 Ham radio to be raffled off. Cost not to exceed \$360. One ticket to be \$1.00 per ticket or 6 for \$5.00. Also is was voted to sell 50/50 tickets. Pat and Jodi will arrange for tickets. Jodi Law, AB0EG, will order the 2 meter/440 radio.

Advertising was discussed. Ask Dr. Woolweaver, K5RAV, to have it placed on the 147.390 repeater like last year. Also have Russ push it on Web-Footer Net. Place ads in Winter Texan type papers.

Motion made, seconded and passed to buy a ream of paper and printer cartridge to print flyers for our Swap Fest to place in mobile home parks. George Salinas, KD4FJ, will donate a ream of paper. Pat Stotler, KB0TFK, will bring sample flyers to next meeting.

Christmas Party was discussed. Female members will handle details. Be sure to contact Lillian Raynor who is presently in California. Pat Stotler will handle details such as dates and location.

The newly purchased TSARC, INC banner was discussed. It is 4' X 4' with black letters on a white background. Heavy duty with many metal grommets installed.

NEW BUSINESS: We must concentrate on having guest speakers and interesting programs for our monthly meetings. Pat Stotler volunteered to take charge of this program. She seeks suggestions from other members.

During our March 2006 meeting a discussion was held regarding the possible move of our meeting location to the Harlingen Medical Center meeting room facilities. At this meeting is was discussed again at great length. In the end it was decided to continue having our meeting at the current location at the bank.

Several members visited at Whataburger's after the meeting ended.

Floyd E. Creamer, N9OJN
Secretary