



# Sky Valley Amateur Radio Club

## Month, Year Meeting Minutes

### August 19, 2017

**Call to Order:** 08:45 hours by Dave KB7GFL

**Introductions:** 8 members and 1 guest in attendance

**Secretary/Treasurers Report:** \$938.64 in bank account, \$15 in petty cash.

**Repeater Status / Net Report:** 70cm – op reported good with new repeater/controller, now at W7BCW's work shop using clubs ground plane antenna; 2m link – op and reports of good signals using new link rig; APRS – reports of hearing but cannot connect to; 6m – from others report that it is op; NET @ 19:30 hours every Tuesday status by Cybyl N6IBI averaging 6 check in's for August so far.

**Old Business:** Bruce W7BCW reported no work done on repeater transmission line and still needs to be done (weather has been way too hot to accomplish this). Need to have Ernie W7EDA bring over MFJ antenna analyzer and test coax again and compare with watt meter readings. Possible corrosion/oxidation in connector's cause of high SWR at transmit freq.

**New Business:** Suggestion made to make officer terms to 2 years. Dave KB7GFL wanted to get a small group of members together for lunch (?) and discuss Constitution changes before presenting to whole club membership for discussion/vote. Website will post copy of law regulating cell phone use and ham radio exemption that members can print out and keep in vehicle in case of Officer issues during traffic stop.

Club membership directed Dave KB7GFL to ask Brad KE7EOF to reserve picnic area that was used for 2017 Field day for 2018 Field day at Sky River Park in Monroe.

**Adjournment:** 09:05 hours by Dave KB7GFL

**Good of the Order:** Presentation by Ron W7LVG & Ken KE7ND on a "Pneumatic Antenna Launcher" PAL for getting wire antennas into tree tops. Showed launcher and showed a live launch which was very impressive. Discussed projectile types and lanyard string types to use with launcher.