

PCARC Meeting Minutes
August 8th, 2024

Attendance

Opening

A meeting of the Perry County Amateur Radio Club was held on this date at **Duncannon** EMS building. The meeting was called to order at 7:04pm by Matthew Morrison.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Reports

The treasurer is absent this month. No treasurers report is available. To the remaining officers knowledge, no money has been received or spent.

Old Business

EMA:

Kurt was able to obtain a few pictures of the equipment in the County EOC. The equipment does not appear to be connected, its functional status is unknown. Approval was received by the county EC, Rich Fultz to use the equipment for an emergency communications exercise.

Prior to the exercise, Matt would like to attempt to gain access to the EOC to assess the equipment and antennas. If he is available, Kurt would also like to attend. Matt has not contacted Rich yet to set up a date, but plans to attempt a call either tomorrow or before the end of next week.

Matt reached out to the ARES district and section coordinators for our area and they are excited to see some activity in Perry County. They are looking to appoint a county ARES EC to head up activities. Sam Garula, KB3DNZ and Steve Wilt, W3SJW have been expressed willingness to serve in this role. Their information was given the District and Section EC who should be contacting them shortly for interviews.

Action steps for this month - Contact EOC for emergency communications exercise. An updated ARES task book was also sent to the club via groups.io. Members interested in becoming part of the team should save a personal copy and begin completing the requirements for the Basic level of ARES membership.

PeCo Fair:

The Perry County Fair is next week. Setup can be done on Tuesday. Ron also stated that there will be fair staff on site Saturday and he will be there for his other booth. He will attempt to find our location Saturday and notify the group either via Facebook or Groups.io.

Sam and other members are planning to be present Tuesday early to begin setup. Matt is contributing tables and chairs, feedline, and other equipment. Matt will also bring the promotional flyers and banner. Tom will contribute a transceiver and a slinky antenna. Sam will bring a spare power supply.

Parking passes were distributed this evening. Additional parking passes will need to be purchased or members will need to pay for individual parking.

Testing Sessions:

Two individuals were tested. Nicholas Morrison successfully upgraded to general, and Curt Leas successfully passed technician exam. Curt has not yet been issued a callsign, Matt will follow up with Curt and Robin to ensure there was not a glitch in the paperwork process.

New Business

Curt Leas submitted an application for membership at our license exam session. Sam made a motion to approve Curt Leas as a new member. Rich seconded. A vote was held and passed.

Open Discussion

No topics were presented for open discussion.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Matt, seconded by Ron.
Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.