

Butte County Amateur Radio System  
Meeting Minutes  
March, 2017

Meeting Start: 1900 with approximately 9 people in attendance

ARES Emergency Coordinator Comments – Dale:

- Indicated that we don't have officers. We have an ARES Emergency Coordinator and an Assistant Emergency Coordinator. Grant is acting as Secretary and we are growing the group in an effort to bring on enough people to elect officers at some point
- Reminded everyone that we are an organization and not a club.

Acting Secretary Comments – Grant:

- Commented on website. Some challenges including wiping out links earlier in the week. Planned to have the website links by late March 25, 2017. Minutes from the meeting and other documents Ted and Dale are going to send will be posted as soon as time permits.
- *[Failed to raise the issue of approving February minutes.]*

Presentation / Training: Dale Anderson, How to Transmit Traffic – Form 213

- Excellent to see MUCH discussion regarding this presentation and topic.
- This was followed by discussion on Frequencies / Repeaters to use and links from and to the website that might be of value to all.

Old Business:

- Confirmed that 554 Rio Lindo is our new site for at least the balance of the year. Dale signed agreement and was given the keys in case Grant cannot attend a meeting in the future.

New Business:

- None which required tabling since not on the agenda.

Member Comments:

- It was discussed that we need additional training and there was significant interest in that topic.
- It was discussed that we need to assemble forms both on line and in binders for people to have in their vehicle in case of deployment.
- Questions about who it going to dispatch ARES and how AERS will associate with the County were raised. Grant to provide additional information on this in the future.
- It was determined that after the Monday night net on repeater used typically, that those in attendance [ correction – for this next week only] would attempt to switch to 146.850 the GEARS repeater which was approved, on behalf of GEARS, by an attending officer. [further correction: we will remain on the "290" repeater.