President Ben Poff, KN4VIF called the meeting to order at 6:01 Pm MDT. Meeting was held at the Tellico Lake Fire Department.

Pledge of Allegiance, and attendee introductions.

Sunshine Report: Mike, KK6OKU had ulnar nerve surgery, is recovering.

Richard, W8CNY gave an overview of the fire station and its facilities and discussed the possibilities of installing a radio for FD backup. This station would have to be funded by the club. There is no cost to use the FD meeting room.

The Program was presented by Tim Montgomery N4TLM.

Tim gave thanks to those who participated in Field Day and gave an overview of the results for the site.

Tim then gave a great program on Go-Bags/Kits with some great discussion and demonstrations of a couple of his go bags. He discussed the reasons for the go-bags, the different kinds of kits needed, the type of incidents/events that the kits could be needed.

The PowerPoint for Tim’s presentation can be found on KE7HLR’s website where he has numerous resources for Emergency Communications which he allows free use with the source credited. See the site for more information.

**\*\*\*\* BUSINESS SESSION \*\*\*\***

* June meeting minutes were discussed and accepted without changes.
* Officer Reports –

President Ben Poff – KN4VIF:

* Welcome:

Vice President Tim Vice Montgomery – N4TLM:

* Tim proceeded with some announcements: Listed below in the announcements section.

Treasurer John Kiley – KB4TV:

* The end-June Financial Report included –
  + Total end-May balance = $4425.63
  + Repeater fund = $2500.00
  + General Fund
    - * + $1875.00 [End of May Balance]
        + + $50.00 [N4CSF Banner Donation]
  + General Fund total $1925.63
* John also mentioned that the field day bill came to 151.37. The club had approved up to $150 for food for field day. John, KB4TV made a motion to approve the total amount for payment and this motion was seconded by Dave, N1ESK. The motion was carried unanimously.

Secretary Bob Antion, ND4P:

* There were 63 ACTIVE Club members on the Club roster as of the meeting.
* Bob also announced that the FCC was going to stop allowing mail-in payments for fees. This will take place approximately 11 October 2023 (90 days after it was published in the Federal Register)
* Standing Committee Reports (Permanent) –
* Repeater - David Weikert KF4DKW:
* The repeater committee report was given by Dave, N1ESK and his recommendation was to do nothing for a couple of months as the Eastern Tennessee Repeater Association has requested a block grant to assist 4 clubs in the local area with their repeaters. We could possibly get the 24-volt backup battery that we need, and we should find out by November the status of the grant.
* There is also a water volume/pressure issue within the village. The POA is moving forward in planning for a 2nd water tower. The new tower is expected to be 65 feet tall whereas the existing tower is 40 feet tall. There is the potential for our repeater coverage to be affected. The new tower is projected to be installed in about 2 ½ years.
* Net Control – George Heron – N2APB:
* The new net schedule for the remainder of the year should be published soon.
* Unfinished Business –
  + Club Banner: There is a rough design – once the final design is approved the banners will be ordered.
  + Club Website – Ben KN4VIF – Tabled
* Club Budget – Ben KN4VIF Tabled
* Repeater Committee budget. Is in on hold pending receipt of grant mentioned above.
* New location for club meetings.

Discussion was held and several points were brought up –

The room is quieter, we can re-arrange it as long as returned to the original configuration, we can change the start time to 1900L and allow members to have dinner beforehand at a local restaurant. It is good to be co-located with the Fire Department. However, access was a concern with only 2 members of the club having access to the facility.

Dave, N1ESK made a motion to move the monthly meeting to the Fire Department and change the start time to 1900L Mike, KK6OKU seconded the motion, and it was carried.

We will now be meeting at the Fire Station located at 210 Chota Road in Tellico Village at 1900L. Do not park in the Station parking lot, please park across the street in the Baptist Church lot.

* New Business –

None

* ANNOUNCEMENTS (Hamfests, Contests, Items for Sale, etc) –
* Brad, KM4OJK brought up that there will be a Car demo in Lenoir City Park to raise money to expand the Adult Day Care center. Stated that we may be asked to provide some personnel to assist with parking or other activities.
* Juan, AC6ZM needs field day logs.
* Question: Are we going to restart the “For Sale” part of the website? Answer yes it can be resurrected – notify Jeff, N4POD
* Hamfests
  + - Nashville July 22
    - Waynesville NC July 29
    - Huntsville AL Aug 19/20
    - Cedars Lebanon Aug 26
    - Morristown Sep 23 (in Dandridge)
    - Chattanooga Oct 20-21
  + DXCC Convention Sep 29/30
    - In Pigeon Forge
    - Boot Camp on Friday
    - Raises money for DX Expeditions
    - W4DXCC website
    - Lenoir City Street Festival Sep 23
* Adjournment –

Motion: John, KB4TV, seconded by Brad KM4OJK. The meeting adjourned at 8:14 pm EDT.

Respectfully submitted by Bob Antion ND4P, TLARC Secretary.