Victoria Amateur Radio Club General Meeting August 18, 2022

Opening

The regular meeting of the Victoria Amateur Radio Club (VARC) was called to order at 7:01 PM on August 18, 2022. The meeting was held in person at the Detar North Training room.

Attendees were as listed below and a quorum was verified.

President **Gary**, **WT0B**, started the meeting by going around the room and have everyone introduce themselves.

Brenson, KI5VZ, informed the club that RACES has requested the use of the 145.190 repeater on September 23rd and 24th.

Brenson, KI5VZ, also browsed through the website and covered recent updates, reminded the club that the new test questions for the ARRL Technician class license have gone into effect, and went over the recent changes to the Monday Night Net script.

Bob, **KI5PG**, presented the Treasurer's report.

Darrell, KI5GAP, presented the July meeting minutes. One necessary correction was noted.

A vote for approval of the Treasurer's report and the July meeting minutes wasn't held due to lack of a quorum.

Harvey, WB5MCT, reported on the recent ARRL license testing session where the applicant successfully passed his technician and general exam.

Harvey, WB5MCT, also reported that the ARRL has agreed to let him keep the test booklets which allow us to test on demand if necessary without as much pre-planning and scheduling.

At the next VARC meeting on September 15th **Bill, W5YAR,** will talk about software defined radios.

VARC Assets Report

Harvey, WB5MCT, reported that the tower contractor from McAllen wouldn't be able to do the work till October if we decided to use him.

He will contact Gritz towers about performing the work.

Old Business -

Bill, W5YAR, initiated a discussion on the possibility of a rag-chew session on 10 meters. If enough folks are interested maybe on a Wednesday night, 28.3 - 28.5 frequency range.

Maybe 28.300 - 28.500 the frequency.

Bryan, KG5AUZ, provided the Yorktown repeater report. They are also still needing a tower climber to finish that project.

There was some discussion about a GMRS network of repeaters throughout the country. Info can be viewed at www.mygmrs.net. This may be a presentation at the October meeting.

Bob, **KI5PG**, brought a power supply and a Heathkit power meter to give away.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:49.

Members

Members, Proxies

Guests

KF5VZ Brenson	KI5PG Bob	WT0B Gary
WB5MCT Harvey	NV5C Dave	KI5GAP Darrell
KE5SDW Steve	W5YAR Bill	
K5AKF Ashton	KG5AUZ Bryan	