

PVRA MINUTES 1/18/2024

Attendees, WA1OUH, K1KNW, KB1PZS,
AB1LZ, AB1XL, KB1RJS, Dave, AC1V, N1XG,
N1LKH

Meeting opened at 18:46

Secretary Report, Approved

Treasurer :

- . Income 95.52
 - Expense: 651
 - Balance: 2724.02
 - Balance is 20% lower than last year at this time.
- . Propose Dues Increase???
- Fixed Costs, Insurance, Prospect Rent, Torrington Rent, PO Box
- Variable costs are repeater maintenance.

Old Business:

- . Repeaters
 - Bruce is looking for an alternate location for the Prospect Repeater to reduce rental costs.

- Marcus want so loop ELan around Marcus Network sites
- Marcus has been hired to work on a New Hartford install. Will help with access to Hartford Repeater site.
 - Adding Diplexer and going to bring the UHF back on-line

New Business

- Going to get two pulleys on tower, either using drone, or a rigger.
- Dave is cleaning up the HAM shack.
- Found some HTs for new Hams
- Bruce was able to reduce insurance by dropping Liberty Mutual and going with a new company (effective Feb 17)
- Bruce had to go to ARRL to renew both club call signs. These had lapsed for as long as 10 years.
- W1HDN has been reissued. AA1HD requires a systemic call sign, transferred to vanity. Not yet issued
- We have a new DSTAR repeater donated by a club member

- . We have a back-up fusion repeater
- . Dave found some additional dipoles out back during clean-up
- . Rigging costs are really high right now, but should come down in the near future as new builds start to dry up.
- . We need to get membership up
 - Offer Ham license classes, in person and on-line
 - Offer VE sessions
- . Motion to raise Dues Prices
 - Regular 50 to 60
 - Retired 35 to 50
 - Motion Approved

Next meeting will be a presentation from N1SST

Meeting ended at 19:25