## WOBXO

## BROOKINGS RADIO RESEARCH CLUB 307 3rd Av. Brookings, SD 57006 Repeater on 146.94 with tone of -110.9 Web Site <u>www.w0bxo.org</u> E-Mail <u>brrc@w0bxo.org</u>

President – Bruce Bortnem KE0NWG, Secretary Tony Chmelar KD0DSH, Treasurer Art Wilber KC0ZHE

### Meeting Notes July 11th, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by President Bruce Bortnem KE0NWG.

The Secretary's report was covered by Tony KD0DSH.

Motion was made by George KF0CCI and Aiden KC0WPC seconded, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report. Current Balance is \$2695.02. Read By Art KC0ZHE. -Donation of \$50 to Brookings Gun Club still needs to be paid. -Donation of \$500 to be paid to the SD State Link Repeater system Towards Replacement of Humboldt Repeater. See details below.

Motion made by Darrel WB0CPW and Seconded by Goerge KF0CCI to accept the report, motion carried.

Members Attending: 17

# Old business:

### 94 Repeater

The 94 repeater is in operation at Dave WB0TSR's QTH. A new Diamond X510HD antenna for the repeater has been purchased by Bruce KE0NWG and this spring the antenna will be installed in Aurora, SD on the City water tower. When in place the repeater will be moved to the Aurora city maintenance shop. The club has a Diamond X50 antenna for use with the mobile communications shack.

Recent maintenance on the Aurora City water tower and maintenance shop has been completed. Bruce to work with Kurt to set a date to install the antenna and feedline.

Aiden KCOWPC suggested installing a 70cm repeater with the 94 Repeater and has collected equipment that may be usable for this purpose.

#### **SK Memorial Board**

Becca KG5TSS and Art KC0ZHE will be doing a memorial for the Club SK's. Art is working on assembling a list of SK's, please contact Art with any names you know of to be sure we do not forget anyone. Thinking about using a corrugated plastic board for a backing.

Allen KB0EG would like to look into the cost of having a wooded display board made to have SK names and call signs engraved

We need to assemble a list of SKs to be added to the board. No Updates

#### State Link

The State Link Humboldt Sight is down due to the recent sale of the land and subsequent removal of the tower. The State Link Group is working on a plan to re-link the easter half of the state.

Current Plans are looking for sights in the Madison/Collman, and Howard area. The plan is to place two sights to re connect the state link. Current Estimates are in Excess of 35K.

SD Link Group is working on Grants to help pay for the installation of the two sights and is asking SD Amateur Radio Clubs for donations to help support this project as well.

Matt K0BBC made a motion to donate \$500 dollars to the SD Link. Motion was seconded by Harlan KC0FLK, Motion was carried.

A hat was passed around the meeting attendees and an additional \$162 was collected for donation to the SD Link.

#### **Brookings Marathon**

Due to the May 12th Storm that impacted much of the Brookings area and far beyond, the Brookings Marathon was Canceled/Postponed until a later date.

The Brookings Marathon will be held on Saturday, October 22nd. The Club will need volunteers to help cover communications for the course.

## New business:

None.

DaveWB0TSR motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Harlan KC0FLK, the motion was carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:43pm.

## Announcements and bulletins:

The State Link Humboldt Sight is down, Watertown and Toronto sights are Isolated from the other parts of the State Link.

W0BXO Zoom Coffee will be the  $2^{M}$  and  $4^{h}$  Tuesdays of the month at 2pm. The zoom meetings may cease during the summer and fall months.

Club Dues are due, 20\$ for single membership and Family memberships are 25\$. Donations for the 94 repeater will be accepted and are appreciated.

The Club has a Hamshack Hotline bridge at 1342. Arend NKOV arranged for the bridge and it is up and running. Several members including Dave WB0TSR, Bruce KE0NWG, Todd KF0AIT, and Arend NK0V have Hamshack Hotlines.

The next Club meeting will be Monday August 1st, 2022 7:00 pm in the basement of the Brookings, Public Safety Center Building, 307 3<sup>rd</sup> Av. Brookings, SD.

The September Club Meeting will be held at the Aurora City Park along with the annual club Picnic. The date will tentatively be September 12th.

The SD NEO net is at 6pm after the 5:30pm MN Section Net on 3.860MHZ. The ND net follows at 6:30pm.

We would like to remind all members that any equipment or books borrowed from the club must be signed out upon removal. Also, a discussion on the expected time an Item is borrowed was discussed. It was determined that a time of one month would be typical but allowances can be made upon discussion with the club.