

## **Chipola ARC Meeting Minutes 10/22/2005**

0911 Meeting Opened

Prayer was given by Jeff (WO4J)

Reading of previous minutes & treasury report waved due to absence of Todd (W4MMA)

Gary (WW4JDO) gave current status of the club repeaters.

Net control operators were assigned for:

November – Dick (W4KCA)

December – Jeff (WO4J)

Open discussion of vests. Blue was decided to be the best color, Gary to sew patches on his and display at next meeting.

Opened discussion on Echolinking the 440 repeater again. Wayne (KB4AAC) has volunteered his DSL, antenna, and a computer to the project. Kenny (KG4ZJY) previously volunteered a Rigblaster interface. We are seeking a UHF radio to complete the hookup. All components to be given to Wayne for experimentation.

Rodney Andreasen, Jackson County Director of Emergency Management, addressed the club and gave update on current construction at the EOC. He offered to either host or provide a link to the club website on their server and cover web development costs.

A motion was made and seconded to accept his offer.

A Unanimous yes vote to approve to accept the offer to either link or host web page through the JCEMA website. Todd will be asked to work out the details.

Discussion of whether to go to a monthly meeting began. Several different ideas were discussed. The club decided to go to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month beginning with the November meeting. With a quarterly meeting to be held every third meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month. A motion was made and seconded. Vote was unanimous Yes.

Next two meetings are Tuesday, Nov 15<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM and Saturday Dec 10<sup>th</sup> at noon with the later being a Christmas potluck lunch. Both meetings to be held at the EOC. Dates were entered on Rodney's calendar.

Gary gave a short presentation on 2 meter yagi construction.

ARES folks discussed the necessity for training for National Incident Management System NIMS and National Response Plan NRP as well as Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course Level 1 (minimum) ARECC Level 1.

Ricky (ARES East Panhandle District Emergency Coordinator) and Bill (Jackson County Emergency Coordinator) gave a presentation on their trip to assist in the post Katrina relief efforts in Hancock County Mississippi.

Meeting adjourned at 1120