MINUTES NWA EMCOMM VIDEO CONFERENCE ON JITSI DECEMBER 28, 2020

Board members taking part were:
John Henley
Paul Blomgren
Gregg Doty
Bill Dean
Mark Maddox
Harold Sobotka

John opened the meeting at 7:05 PM. Discussion held concerning Johnathan George and the untruth and misinformation that he is spreading regarding the EmComm organization. Gregg reported that all entrance badges at the county EOC have been turned off due to the Covid-19 situation. The EOC office is closed down to all persons except those actually working there. Gregg reported that the badges will be turned back on, on as needed basis. Paul reported that his badge is working because he was able to access the area recently. Gregg suggested that the officials at EOC be notified that Johnathan George is no longer involved with the EmComm organization.

Paul reported on his recent visit with Rick Pope, and said that he informed Pope about the lies and misinformation that George is spreading about EmComm. The group further discussed Rick Pope and his activity in promoting or criticizing the EmComm organization.

Gregg cautioned about inviting people to take part in EmComm activity that are only interested in emergency weather communication because he said EmComm is not yet prepared with an action plan regarding weather warning communications.

Ham in the park was discussed at length. It was finally decided that the Ham In The Park activities will not include Winter Field Day activity, but the date for the Ham In The Park event will be changed twice each year to coincide with the winter and summer field day events. The next Ham In The Park event will be January 30, 2021, which is a change from the previous scheduled date.

There was discussion concerning Tem Moore and the wide area net repeaters that he owns. Discussion concerned his demand that EmComm not use his repeater facilities. The discussion was for purpose of informing members that were not aware of the situation.

Gregg agreed to contact officials at EOC and determine for certain the status of the EmComm organization,

The group discussed and approved having Ham In The Park event at Metfield in Bella Vista twice yearly. Gregg will contact park officials and arrange the schedule. The group approved by vote the motion that the meeting time for the regular meetings of the EmComm group be moved from 8 PM to 7 PM. The next regular meeting will be January 11, 2021.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:23 PM.

Respectfully submitted by, Harold Sobotka, secretary