

**MINUTES
NWA EMCOMM VIDEO CONFERENCE
OCTOBER 4, 2021**

Members present for the meeting were Paul Blomgren, Bill Dean, John Henley, JR., Gregg Doty, and Harold Sobotka.

The meeting was opened at 8 PM by John.

Minutes from the previous meeting on September 20, 2021 were approved by vote of the group.

John discussed progress on making business and strategic plans for the EmComm organization, and explained that Paul has been sick so nothing has been done to date.

The group discussed the Amazon Smile Charity program. EmComm is eligible to receive donations from that program. Also John discussed the Walmart charity program and said EmComm is registered to receive benefits from Walmart. Also mentioned was the organization Guide Star, which is a third party verification system that reviews eligibility of organizations wanting to receive charitable donations.

The October Ham In The Park training event was discussed. Mentioned was APRS opportunities, and setting up digapeters in extreme south Missouri, to be used in Ham In The Park training activities.

Also mentioned was contacting the Washburn, Missouri Volunteer Fire Department to determine if that group might be willing to work with EmComm in an effort to enhance communications capabilities for both groups. The October Ham In The Park training event was scheduled for October 27th beginning at 1 PM.

Being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Harold Sobotka, secretary