

# Minutes of the Oregon Region Relay Council

THESE MINUTES APPROVED 12/14/03 some data removed to protect sites as requested by owners

## Operations:

Meeting called to order at 10:40 AM on October 12th, 2003.

Location: China Sun Restaurant, Bend, Oregon.

ORRC Board Members present:

Mike Hemel KB7WUK Region 3 Director & Chair

Joel Determan K7TGZ Director at Large & Vice Chair

Dan Bathurst WA7ABU Secretary & Region 4 Director

Richard Wilson, KC7AM Treasurer & Region 8 Director

Neil McKie WA6KLA Region 7 Director & Operations Committee Chair

Ron Polluconi KJ7IY Region 2 Director & Database Manager

Terry Shellman KB7DRX Region 6 Director

Ed Melnik WB2QHS Region 2 Alternate

Brett Mueller WA7V Region 8 Alternate, at Large Director & Web Liaison

Dick Suber K7DDI Region 7 Alternate

Mike Mullarkey, K7PFJ at large Director

Absent:

Kenneth Seymour KA7OSM at large Director

Johnny Jones WA6RHK Region 5 Director & Region 1 Liaison

Steve Grajeda WB6YQP Region 5 Alternate Director

John Stein AB7F Region 3 Alternate

Visitor: Mike Steiner

## Call to Order:

Minutes of August 10th, 2003 approved.

## Updates & Applications:

Update from Tom Manning, KK7OU, near Tillamook, 441.500 MHz. From Construction to 'On Air' ... ERP 360 W ERP

Ron Polluconi, KJ7IY, Operational System Report for his 145.43 MHz system on Cooper Mountain in the Beaverton area.

Bob Kuhn, KC7YN, a system up-date using the Year 2002 form for the 146.64 MHz repeater near McMinnville for the McMinnville Amateur Radio Club. Antenna height changed to 100'.

Operational System Report - KA7HAM, 147.38 on Grizzly Mountain near Prineville.

Larry Johnson, K7LJ, Portland, requests move of his system on 443.400 MHz from Dixie Mountain to Council Crest, 1492' AMSL, 430' above the ground, 75 watts power out, 500 W ERP. Approved with CTCSS 100.0 Hz

Brad Gulleff, N7BAG, of Astoria, 444.500 MHz to be moved to Nicolai Mountain near Astoria. Approved with CTCSS.

440.925 MHz- Operational system report.

Jeremy Alexander, W7EME, of Pacific City, Mt. Hebo. ORRC recommended 53.45 MHz Tx, 51.75 MHz Rx with CTCSS.

For 220 MHz, Jeremy is also recommended the frequency 224.2 MHz Tx, 222.6 MHz Rx as requested.

For 900 MHz, Jeremy is recommended Rx on 903.1 MHz and Tx on 927.1 MHz with 151.4 Hz recommended as 100 Hz may have a problem there.

Jeremy is also approved to use 1291.2 MHz Tx and 1271.2 MHz Rx with 023 DPL. All four repeaters to be cosited at Hebo, per his request.

Les Fenison, KD7RY, Wilsonville requests a link for the 145.31 MHz repeater approved at last meeting. recommended with 123 Hz CTCSS. A control link was approved.

Chris Nelson, N7ELU, in Hood River applied for a change of ownership for the 147.100 repeater located on Mt. Defiance. Ownership is not settled, so this application is delayed for the next meeting.

Dave Fisher, KG0D, requested to turn over his repeater pair from 449.575 MHz output to 444.575 MHz output. Same place, all other data the same. Healy Heights, STA approved to make sure it works.

A letter from John Mackey making several requests has shown a need for cochannel letters. Joel will try to make contact to explain John's situation. Mail was sent to John with certified delivery, to the address of record, this was returned undelivered. A letter will also go to John from Neil.

Scott McManon, KG7UL, has two requests:

444.00 MHz and 145.27 MHz in Klamath Falls on Plum Ridge. 145.27 MHz was approved as STA and will require cochannel letters to get coordination. This frequency was used by him in the past. KG7UL was approved for 444.00 MHz also, with CTCSS.

Mike Steiner, KD6LVP, requests update of the 440.450 MHz repeater, with club call change. He also requests a 443.700 MHz repeater move to Gresham. Request approved.

Lorne Flindt, KB7APU, requests a change of location for a 440.775 MHz repeater to 3710 Veterans Hospital Rd., Portland, OR. CTCSS required.

Meeting adjourned for lunch at 12:22 PM

### **ORRC Board:**

Meeting called to order at 1:30 PM on October 12th, 2003.  
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Previous Minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report, \$4793.25. Richard presented a complete balance record for the last year.

Neil reported on his election, with the vote going to Dick for Region 7 Director with Neil as Region 7 Alternate.

Standing committee report:

2 Mtr band rechannalization study-K7TGZ, KJ7IY, KB7WUK, AND WA7ABU.

We hope to add to the discussion on the web with input from persons that can give some technical data and technical experience.

900 MHz, 1200 MHz, and 2400 MHz bands:

KJ7IY, WB2QHS, AND K7TGZ.

Any band plan changes would need approval by the board.

Joel related there have been some changes in FCC regulations concerning the band limits on 2.4 GHz.

### **Old Business:**

NFCC now has our email addresses for proper responses.

Electronic Archival of ORRC files discussed, so that computer storage of data is possible. There was a discussion of buying a scanner for the purpose of scanning the records. This will be a continuing topic in future meetings.

Inverted repeaters on the 440 band are slowly disappearing.

We have been approached by a publisher who wishes to buy our data. We have not responded yet. Ron to investigate.

The mail acknowledgment post card was reviewed, after recent drafting and use by WA7ABU. Slight changes recommended.

The ORRC website was reviewed and comments were collected. The minutes are to be sped to the site as a draft with reduced details in many cases. Brett will control final version to go to Arlen, so that the ORRC can review the minutes first.

Other minor web changes to be requested by Brett.

A discussion concerning dealing with the ORRC through the web brought up many points.

Mike, KB7WUK, to approach repeater owners of Region 1, covering the North coast, to obtain a possible nomination for Director of the region.

### **New Business:**

Mike, KB7WUK, presented a form drafted for decoordination. Comments were made

for improvement and the form will be presented at a next meeting.

A hearing was made for decoordination of log #114 / 98, held by KC9TX. It appears that this repeater is no longer in service and the holder is not residing in Oregon. He is non-responsive to mail and not in the phone book. The FCC database has not helped the ORRC to reach this person. The basis for decoordination is a lack of updates for three years.

Mike brought up the issue of donations to the ARRL broadband defense fund. Dan had made a suggestion that the board look into this. No action taken.

Update forms to be mailed out earlier this year to allow repeater owners more time to return the paperwork.

Ed requests that a waiting list for 2 Meter repeater frequencies be set up. The idea was put on hold with further discussion to ensue.

Good of the Order:

The next meeting is to be held on December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2003 at the Eugene Red Cross building.

ORRC Board meeting adjourned at 2:47 PM.

Minutes submitted for ORRC Board review  
Dan Bathurst  
WA7ABU  
ORRC Secretary