PARA Meeting – Nov 9, 2011

Officers: President/Sec: Gene VP: Robert NX3S Treas: Caterina (POA) Board: W3COC Tom, K3ONT Llovd, W3GSC Hank, K3ECV Dick

Attendees: Gene K3DSM, Lloyd K3QNT, Steve K3ALV, Hank W3GSC, Al KA3ODI, Tom W3CQC, Kate, KB3POA, Dick K3ITH, Ron K3ZKO, Dick K3ECV, Robert NX3S

The meeting was called to order at 731PM by President Gene K3DSM. After the welcome and salute to the flag, introductions of officers was made by Gene. Members were then asked to introduce themselves.

The Secretary Report was given by President Gene, acting secretary after the date was corrected.

The Treasurer Report was given by Caterina. Checking \$2253 Savings \$310.31 Vangard \$8982.44 for a total of \$11546.48 She noted 71 paid members.

Correspondence from ARCC was mentioned by Gene

The Technical Report was read from Paragraphs as 1 member said he didn't see it. Discussions on the 88 and 82 repeaters as well as recent work and new antenna on the 223.86 machine. It was noted that 6 meters was very active. Also Camden needed an antenna. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to purchase an antenna for the site if Vince didn't have a better solution. Ron mentioned that correspondence was found that showed PARA had a relation with the tenant at the ATV site and that there would be no further claim for electricity. He is still looking for a place to put the ATV repeater. The controller for the 88 machine was questioned. It was also decided that new inventories for all sites would be made as well as digital pictures taken. Gene will contact ARCC about the call sign change for 82 to PHL.

Ron K3ZKO bring two new items for everyone to see, the dual band mini HT from China selling for about \$50 and the mini spectrum analyzer selling for about \$125.

Old Business: none

New Business: Gene mentioned the National Test of EAS held today and members discussed what they heard. There was also a discussion of iVisit, Skype, and EchoLink for holding meetings. Something would be set up to try.

Elections: A vote was taken to approve all existing officers for another term. An opening for director was filled by Lloyd K3QNT to replace Asa.

President Gene said the awareness of PARA on 76 was important and a discussion was held. It was decided to hold a net on 76 on Tuesday nights at 8PM after the coming Limerick drills starting November 22nd. Lloyd and Gene would run the net and start interesting technical discussions. It was hoped that this activity would capture interest and others would listen and join in.