

General Meeting minutes for 07/25/2019

- Marcus KF4YHP, greeted everyone.
- This meeting took place at the Shelby County EMA office in Columbiana. We are committed to have two meetings here each year.
- Marcus climbed the tower to investigate putting up a link to the water tower for a mesh network to the repeater sight, where a HF radio would be placed that would be remotely controlled.
- Discussion on installing a WinLink station in the EMA to communicate with other areas who are also investing in WinLink operations.
- 32 in attendance
- Hub requested we go to <https://www.shelbyal.com/252/Emergency-Management-Agency-EMA> and sign up for Everbridge Notifications. This is a new system for providing alerts to the area. They are looking for people to help test the system. In the section under Special Skills add we are ham radio operators and add our callsign.
- There is also an Everbridge app for your phone. It will let you document damage, etc. via pictures and geolocation. It will also enable communications between EMA and the user.

Treasurer Report

- William, KM4SKC gave his report. There is \$4,750.15 in the checking.
- We did not pass the repeater fund bucket around as we were at a different meeting venue.

Secretary / Webmaster Report

- Field Day scores have been turned in. Totals were CW: 36 Phone: 119 Digital 137. If you want to see a copy of the full report, go to our website and click on the Club Documents menu. Scroll down and in the Historical Documents area you'll see a link to the PDF with our full submission.
- Website was updated with the latest dates.
- Don't forget, there will be a VE Test Session in Shelby County the first Sunday in August, the 4th.
- We are still promoting our Slack page. Go to <http://w4shl.com/slack.php> to find sign up instructions.

Vice Presidents Report

- Looking for programs.
- Next meeting on ground antennas.

Net Control

- We are looking for net control operators. The script is on the webpage under Nets & Repeaters. Contact Mike W4TRK for coordination.

Presentation

The original presentation fell through due to technical issues, so Robert showed some videos from OH8STN on man portable operations and JS8CALL. You'll find his YouTube channel at:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/SurvivalTechEU?pbjreload=10>