

TASMA General Meeting Minutes

**Two Meter Area Spectrum Management Association
1439 W. Chapman, PMB 90
Orange, CA 92868**

**These Minutes Were Approved
25 August 2007**

Saturday, April 7, 2007

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**Walnut Library
21155 La Puente Rd.
Walnut, CA 91789**

Attendees:

Members:

KG6FCT	Louis Frank
NO6B	Bob Dengler
KG6GI	Howard Brown
KG6ESC	Baltasar Cervantes
WH6UC	Benjamin Sanchez
KC6ACL	Pat Finke
KF6IBY	Javier Ibarra
WW6MM	Mike Marin
N6ISY	Dick Bruno

Guests:

	Maria Sanchez
KC6FNA	Jeannette Finke

Howard KG6GI provided a PowerPoint agenda & supporting documents for the meeting which was followed:

1. Registration.
2. Meeting called to order at 10:30AM by Bob NO6B.

3. Review of the minutes of the December, 2,2006. Motion to accept the minutes with the typographical errors corrected. Motion made by Howard KG6GI, second by Mike, WW6MM, vote 11-0-0.
4. Mike presented a membership report for 1Q07 showing current membership and compared it to last year Mike outlined our approach to gain members from the repeater owner pool with a letter of solicitation for membership. The financial spreadsheet presented by Howard, KG6GI. Mike reviewed the data and stated that we are doing better than last year, but we need to address the lack of membership. \$3222.86 is the present balance in our bank account and with our present budget we should finish the year with the same amount. Our current membership is approximately 85, and we are planning to send letters to repeater trustees encouraging them to join TASMA. Howard displayed the letter to be sent and how it will contain all the information on the repeater for the owner. Mike also mentioned the technical committee has not submitted any expense for this year and so the numbers may be biased at this moment.
5. Howard KG6GI summarized our correspondence at about 135 pieces of mail, all of which was scanned and placed in our database.
6. The National Frequency Coordination Council (NFCC) report was presented by Howard. The report is in the news letter. Two groups from New York and Connecticut were added and certified. Bob commented on how strict there By-Laws are.
7. Bob NO6B presented a general review of the actions of the technical committee as summarized in the newsletter. As a general comment the repeater owner operators have not provided the required correspondence.
8. TC process up date report by Bob He has presented a revised Technical Committee Purpose and Procedure to be voted on after the meeting.
9. Howard KG6GI reported that the TASMA database is current. A discussion took place regarding who owns the coordination? The call sign of the repeater determines who holds the coordination.
10. Open Forum
 - a. Bob NO6B presented an article in CQ VHF on FM Repeaters and the 2 meter bandplan for general review and discussion.
 - b. Bob NO6B started a discussion of digital repeaters, where they are, who is using them, and where or if they should they be placed in the bandplan. Howard reviewed the problems dealing with data transfers over D-star radios. Problems occur when using USB to RS232 adapters. P25 is commercial digital equipment and D-Star is amateur equipment for digital communications with pro and cons discussed for both. Howard KG6GI showed the D-Star location site map web page that gives an indication of their number. The SOARA web site has additional information including links and equipment listing.

- c. Do we want a separate D-Star frequency for simplex was asked by Bob. Bob and Howard reviewed some of the limitations. Note that D-Star is not compatible with P25. It is important to stay clear of the ISS frequency.
- d. How many people are familiar with the ARRL band plan by bandwidth, if adopted it would cause problems between the incompatibility between digital and analog.
- e. LA Marathon review by Bob. Best public exposure we need more people. WWW.LAMARATHON.COM AND WWW.LAMARATHON.HAM-RADIO-OP.NET are web sites for more information and to volunteer
- f. Next General Meeting to be August 11, 2007 at this same place (Walnut library).

11. Motion to adjourn at 12:25. Motion by Howard KG6GI, second by Pat KC6ACL.

Respectfully submitted

Louis Frank KG6FCT Secretary



Quick Links

- [On-line Sign-Up](#)
- [Marathon Map](#)
- [Ron Gross Maps](#)
- [2007 Event](#)
- [2006 Event](#)
- [2005 Event](#)

Thanks to everyone for making the 2007 event a huge success!