At Red Deer County Protective Services Building, 249 Clearview Drive, Red Deer

1. Introductions – Rod VE6XY opened the meeting with 14 members present.
2. Approval of Agenda – moved by Garry VE6CIA, seconded by Sandy VE6SND, motion carried.
3. Approval of Minutes from General Meeting, February 21, 2018 – moved by John VA6SJA, seconded by Eric VE6HFF, motion carried.
4. Treasurer’s Report – Sylvia VE6SYL presented the report with a current balance of $8,008.47. Jerry VE6WCE moved to accept the report as presented, Sandy VE6SND seconded the motion; motion carried.
5. Repeater News – Garry VE6CIA stated CAARC repeaters all running ok. New repeater at New Brigden (VE6NBR) on 146.895, tied into and run by Three Hills Club.
6. Webmaster – currently no issues to report.
7. Publicity – Picnic is now listed on Three Hills Club website; Sandy VE6SND to look into getting the event listed on City of Red Deer website. Picnic posters to be put up at Calgary Flea Market, April 14, 2018; Jack VA6IX has a table for APSN.
8. RAC News – Ernest Clintberg sent his apologies, and will try to attend the April General Meeting.
9. Education – Garry VE6CIA confirmed 20 entrants wrote the Basic exam, with 14 passing.
10. ARES – Nothing to report.
11. Old Business
    1. Bob VE6BLD to book Lacombe Fire Department BBQ trailer; Andre VA6ARJ to transport the trailer to the picnic.
    2. A second BBQ will be needed, suggestion to contact Harley Davidson.
    3. Sandy VE6SND advised no hotel discounts are available without confirmed numbers of guests.
    4. Sylvia VE6SYL to contact Shady Nook Hall to confirm the picnic booking.
    5. Sylvia VE6SYL will provide breakfast sausages from Olymel.
    6. Sandy VE6SND is working on entertainment; Bob VE6BLD has a rope for the tug-of-war.
    7. SARA dogs may be “a go”; volunteers needed for cooking.
    8. Club door prize – Jerry VE6WCE motioned to set a limit of $250, Eric VE6HFF seconded; motion carried.
    9. Setup schedule for volunteers for trailer duties.
    10. Mike VE6MIM to look after parking.
    11. Garry VE6CIA to contact Ric Henderson regarding the County Trailer.
    12. Brian VE6CKC to run the bunny hunt.
    13. Note to everyone to bring extra for the potluck supper.
12. New Business
    1. Proposed Memorandum of Understanding between Red Deer Regional Airport and CAARC for emergency communications. Graham St.Thomas advised RDRA is redefining the emergency response, and moving to an ICS system. RDRA currently relying on cell phones for emergency communications, however, limited cell coverage hampers capabilities. Graham noted RDRA undertakes a yearly table-top exercise, with a live exercise every fourth year. Garry VE6CIA moved that the Club accepts the MOU as written, Mike VE6MIM seconded, motion carried.
    2. AEMA has offered the Club an interface to the repeaters to broadcast Amber Alerts. Bob VE6BLD motioned to accept the offer, Sandy VE6SND seconded, motion carried.
13. Meeting adjourned.
14. Next meeting – April 18, 2018