## NPARC HYBRID BUSINESS MEETING #83 MONDAY, November 13, 2023 LOCATION: SALT BROOK SCHOOL CAFETERIA, MAPLE ST., NEW PROVIDENCE

Time: 7:45-8:35p.m. local time. Zoom Coordinators: K2UI/W2IOC

**ZOOM ATTENDEES: (4)** 

W2EMC, WB2QOQ, N2TO, KD2ZRO

IN PERSON (14)

K2AL, K2DAM, K2ESH, W2EWQ, K2GLS, KC2HLA, W2IOC, KD2JRI, KD2ONY, KC2OSR, W2PTP, K2UI, KC2WUF, K2YG.

- 1. K2UI started the hybrid business meeting at 7:45pm.
- **2. HONORARY LIFE MEBERSHIP:** At the November 1<sup>st</sup> EC meeting, The Executive Committee voted to bestow Honorary Life Membership to Bob Willis, K2GLS, for his nearly 50 years of service to NPARC. The motion was made and seconded to bestow the award and the members present voted approval unanimously. Congratulations Bob!

## 3. 2024 OFFICER ELECTIONS:

The slate of incumbents, running unopposed, was unanimously elected:

**K2UI- Jim Stekas-President** 

W2EMC- Brian DeLuca-VP

**K2YG-Dave Barr-Treasurer** 

KC2OSR-Activities Manager

**K2AL-Secretary** 

## 4. OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. **KIDS DAY**: N2TO has met with the principal of Salt Brook School to obtain use of the cafeteria **on Saturday, January 6** for Kids Day from noon to 5 pm. The janitorial cost is \$300 and will be reviewed by the NPARC Executive Committee. Kevin has also spoken to the NP High School as an alternate site. The high school has cable TV access which may be available for publicity.
- Holiday Luncheon: Dave, K2YG, stated that there are still some reservations available.
   Cost is \$40 per person. Send an email to <a href="https://hdbarr@comcast.net">hdbarr@comcast.net</a> if interested in attending.
   The Holiday Luncheon is Saturday, December 9, at the Village Tavern (formerly Chimney Rock Inn) 342 Valley Rd., Gillette from noon to 3 pm.
- 3. **OPERATION TOY TRAIN**: Reminder that KD2EKN asked for volunteers at the last meeting. Details were sent to the NPARC Reflector.

## 5. NEW BUSINESS:

1) **PROGRAMS/PRESENTATIONS**: KC2OSR is working on programs TBD and will be forming an "Activities Committee" to facilitate forming programs.

- 2) ARRL OUTGOING QSL BUREAU: KC2OSR reminded club members that as an ARRL affiliated club, NPARC members can send outgoing DX QSL cards via the Bureau at no cost. Sam will be going to ARRL Headquarters in January and volunteered to hand carry cards there. So, fill out and give your cards to Sam before January.
- 3) **CLUB PUBLICITY/MENTORING NEW HAMS:** There is a need to improve local public awareness of NPARC and its activities. KD2ONY and KC2HLA would like to have a means of informing newly licensed hams about NPARC and its ability to mentor these new hams.
  - A. K2AL to send welcoming emails and inform new hams of NPARC meetings based on contact info received from KD2ONY.
  - B. K2AL to look into making an updated NPARC info flyer to be used as a handout.
  - C. KD2JRI stated that before publicizing NPARC at VE sessions, approval must be obtained from the individual running that VE team.

The Hybrid Business Meeting was closed at 8:35pm by K2UI. Minutes recorded by K2AL.

