

## **KPARC Meeting Minutes of Monday, January 12, 2015**

The KPARC Meeting on Monday, January 12, was called to order at 2:09 PM in the Ripple Room in the Kings Point Club House.

Silent Key Jess Olsen, KG4ZTA, Dec. 21, 2014: A moment of silence was held to remember Jess Olsen, KG4ZTA, who passed away December 21, 2014.

Summaries of the KPARC Annual Meeting of December 8, 2014, and the KPARC Board Meeting Minutes of January 5, 2015, were given by Secretary Linda Conklin. Treasurer Monica Miller stated that a total of \$5,543.53 remains in the club account.

Plant City Hamfest Report: The participants took in a total of around \$2,800, including almost \$500 for excess club equipment.

Membership Renewals: Treasurer Monica Miller announced that she will be accepting membership renewals Saturday morning in the Ham Shack.

HF Long Wire Antenna Project: Greg Becker said the new end-fed long wire works great, and is almost invisible. It's about 4 S-units higher than any of our other antennas except the beam. There is one problem with hanging up between frequencies that will be assessed.

Program: Alan Blackwell introduced today's speaker, Jane Blanchard, author of "Women of the Way: Embracing the Camino," talked about hiking the length of Hadrian's Wall, extending 73 miles across England. This UNESCO World Heritage Site was a series of forts and outposts connected by a high stone wall and moat. It was constructed by the Romans beginning in 122 AD to defend the south of England from the marauding Celtic and Viking tribes.

President Wayne Conklin reminded the attendees that the KPARC meeting on March 9 will be an evening meeting starting at 5:00 PM, with pizza, salad, and desserts available. The suggested donation towards the food will be \$5.

18 members plus 4 guests attended the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 3:12 PM. The next KPARC meeting is scheduled for February 9, 2015, at 2:00 PM.

Linda Conklin  
KPARC Secretary