

Johnson County (and surrounding area) Emergency Communications Service

Meeting minutes for: December 4, 2007 at 7:00 pm at the Charlie's Hamburger Place in Mansfield.

In attendance: Gary Pannell (WA5FWC), David Walker (W5DJO), Bill Adams (AF4B), Tommy Simons (WA5JTO), Roger Boettger (KE5EET). Joshua Berry (KE5OTE), and Patricia Berry (KE5PBV).

The meeting location was changed at the last minute due to access issues. Gary Pannell, Treasurer, called the meeting to order.

David Walker updated us on the status of coordinating local Amateur Radio groups with local emergency service providers. He urged us to attend SKYWARN classes as soon as possible, especially those who have no current SKYWARN certification. The 2008 classes are listed on the National Weather Service website. The first Tarrant County class for both beginning and advanced classes will be February 2 at South West High School in Forth Worth. He encouraged us to listen to the weekly nets for the local hospitals on Fridays at 8:30 am, on the following frequencies: 146.7 and 442.4. Again, we were encouraged to obtain FEMA IS 100, 200, 700, and 800, as well as 100HC, which will be required for all hospital Net Controllers.

Due to the holidays, the weekly net for December 25 will be cancelled, and the monthly meeting for January 1 will be moved to January 8, at 7:00 pm. The next weekly net will take place on January 15, at 7:00 pm.

Monthly meetings will continue to be on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Master Meter Building. Weekly nets will be held on all other Tuesdays at 7:00 pm.