

**PALM BEACH PACKET GROUP  
MINUETS OF MEETING 11 OCTOBER 2007**

The meeting was called to order by President Doug, WB4KGY. Those present introduced themselves. The following hams were present: Doug WB4KGY, Frank WA4PAM, Andy KF4ATC, Jamey KD4LXB, Alan WB2BQK, Jeff WA4AW and Tom W2TMT.

Frank, WA4PAM gave the treasurers report, which was accepted. The minuets of our last meeting, May 2007 have been posted on the PBPG web page, There were no additions or corrections.

Frank also passed out a membership roster and requested that those present review the data and make any corrections needed. Frank further reported that our web site has been free, but that this may change. Frank will explore this further with Gary and report back to the membership.

**Technical Report:**

Doug indicated that there was not a lot to report. He talked with Jim Johnson and the new antenna for the Lake Harbor site has been obtained and is at the side. Jim will have it installed the next time someone goes up the tower. The existing antenna is working but needs to be replaced. The tower climber replaced the antenna at the Ibis Site on Northlake Blvd. The crew spent a full day doing work on the tower. The cost was only \$500.00. A new DB24 antenna was installed, another antenna was replaced and lines moved and replaced as needed.

Jeff WA4AW gave a report on other activities, The election for Southeast Director of the ARRL is underway. Jeff is running for assistant director and will appreciate your vote. The FL State Convention is being held in Melbourne this weekend, Oct 13 and 14. The South Florida Fair is approaching and will be held 1-18 thru 2-3 2008.

Frank WA4PAM reported on the progress at the Hospital in Clewiston, The TelPac equipment has been installed in the "IT" room the call of the node is KI4AYW (the call sign of the big lake club). Keys have been made and distributed.

**News and Information:**

Tom W2TMT reported that the Palms West Club has a new repeater site located in Royal Palm Beach operating on 147.045 mhz PL 103.5. A VE session will be held on Saturday Oct 27 at 9:00AM at the Royal Palm Beach Fire Station on Royal Palm Beach Blvd just south of Okeechobee Blvd. John K2CIB is coordinating the exams.

Frank indicated that Henry County will be getting a EOC and that there will

**be space for Ham Radio at the site.**

**Jamey reported that there is some new software being developed for winlink systems using pactor 3 additional information is available on the TAPER web site.**

**Doug reported that there is some new hardware under development by TAPER and RGC electronics, See thier web pages for additional information.**

**New Business:**

**The Marathon of the Palm Beach is coming up and some help may be needed from the packet group.**

**Frank reported on the QCWA convention held in Denver. A good time was had by all. QCWA will have a convention along with the Dayton Convention in 2009. The convention in 2008 will be held in VA Beach, VA.**

**The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.**

**Respectfully submitted  
Tom Thompson W2TMT**