

## **CLAY COUNTY ARES JANUARY 2018 MEETING MINUTES**

The Clay County ARES January 2018 meeting was held at the Pinewood Christian Academy, Orange Park, FL. The meeting was opened by Scott Roberts, introductions were made and visitors welcomed.

### **ARES UPDATES:**

ARRL has not updated the mission statement. This is going to happen sometime in 2018, no information yet as to how that will change ARRL. Also no information yet as to how this will change what is expected of the local ARES members as to classes and training. It will not change our function locally.

A new Section Emergency Coordinator has been appointed by Steve Szabo. There will be a new Section Manager in 2018.

### **AEC UPDATES:**

Mark – none

Ray - Other than the Keystone Heights digital repeater being down, nothing.

### **REPEATERS:**

146.667 has been replaced.

New repeater now has a tone.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

SAVINGS - \$293.20

CHECKING - \$520.57

TOTAL - \$813.77

MEMBERSHIP: Now 87 members!

Welcome to new board member, Andy Elwell!

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Florida Striders Resolution Run – 1/6/18

Tower takedown – 1/6/18

Hamcation – Orlando, February 9th, 10th, & 11<sup>th</sup>

Symposium in Gainesville – February 24<sup>th</sup>

Angry Tortoise Run (Florida Striders) – February 25<sup>th</sup>.

PLANS FOR 2018:

- Inspection of school antennas – This depends on John Ward who coordinates with the school board. Doing this in summer is best when school is out.
- Ham at Sheriff's Department – This is being hammered out in the MOU with the Clay County Sheriff's Department. Also, we already have a HAM liaison at Sheriff's office.
- Working on standardized Go-Kits – We operate on the assumption that most HAMS can provide their own equipment. Joe Bassett is working on manuals for each shelter location.
- Trailer – Putting list together for what is currently needed (which includes AC, generator, etc.)
- Training – Perhaps an exam prep course? This will depend on interest.

TRAINING – Joe Bassett