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## **EDMONDS WOODWAY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB MEETING MINUTES FOR 9 MAY 2019**

ATTENDEES: Greg N7IAD, Barry K7BWH, John KM7O, Walt W7PRB, N6CES, Chuck WA7BRL, Vlad UA6JD, Eric KD7BFM, Brion KB7UUE, Tom KJ7BXA, Rich K7RCH, Ric KJ7FUT, Rick AG7QO

1. Name badge membership cards were given to all those who had paid their dues before this meeting. Name badges will be given to all others who have paid their dues at the next meeting.
2. There was a discussing of digital operating modes. Experiences with FT8 were given. Chuck WA7BRL said there is a new operating mode in the works called FT4.
3. Barry Hansen proposed moving our banking from Chase because it finally turned out they will charge \$15/month. The membership approved Barry and Greg Gadbois opening a free business checking account at Sound Credit Union.
4. Barry suggested we need a person in charge of planning programs for our monthly meetings. Greg said he would follow up on this.
5. There was talk about our club participating in Field Day. John KM7O suggested that we could use the Mountlake Terrace Community Center grounds as a site. Greg said he could loan a generator and will obtain permissions and permits required. Those interested could start a discussion on the email reflector for planning. All agreed that it should be a day only event.
6. Rich K7RCH showed us his new HT radio. It is an "Any Tone" UV-878Plus and has Bluetooth built in for hands free mobile operating. A Velcro mounted push to talk button is provided for the steering wheel and a user provided Bluetooth headset can be used to complete the hands free operating. The price is about \$240.
7. Brion KB7UUE said to contact him about a yagi VHU/UHF antenna that is available.
8. Brion KB7UUE started a discussion about our club training and license testing plans. He said we don't want to duplicate the training already offered nearby. Rick AG7QO the chairman of our VE committee said he would start getting a plan together with the help of the other committee members Walt W7PRB, Neri NC7N, and John K7VE.
9. John KM7O informed the group that the present offices are "acting only" and have not been elected. Our constitution calls for elections at the November meeting. Those interested in be nominated for an office or those wanting to nominate someone else should contact Greg.
10. The next informal coffee will be Saturday May 18 8am at the Mountlake Terrace Community Senior Center. But we will go to the nearby Denny's restaurant for breakfast.