

OROC Minutes – June (6/4/20)

Meeting called to order at 7:30

- Secretary's Report
 - 116 members (9 new members in past 2 months)
- Low Power Update
 - THPRD staff is furloughed (a few working from home)
 - Once Washington County goes to phase 2, they will entertain applications for field use
 - Washington County has been approved for phase 1, which means July at the earliest for a launch
 - The application is not a guarantee for us, but we have a path forward
- High Power update
 - Thanks everyone for the responses as to whether they would attend or not
 - 42 responses
 - 37 yes
 - 5 no
 - Fair amount of interest obviously
 - We hoped to have a plan for a pickup launch by now, but we haven't been able to solidify those plans
 - BOD met twice in the last two weeks trying to think of what all needs to happen for us to launch
 - Guidelines / legal edicts
 - OROC preparedness
 - Covid-19 safety
 - Fire preparedness
 - The state guidelines for phase 2 are not geared towards rocket launches unfortunately, so we are having to wait and see how re-opening goes and where we feel like the club fits in. Are we a campground, or a religious gathering?...
 - 100 people at outdoor gatherings (great!)
 - No travel over 50 miles (not so great)
 - Deschutes County is eager to open back up, but they are still worried to some extent about groups like us, and we don't want to draw any bad press
 - Gary PowerPoint on launch preparation and proposed changes to procedures
 - Lots more discussion around safety, what launches will be like, how the pandemic is progressing
 - If a launch happens, David Birch will not be in attendance, so setup volunteers will be important and we will need to plan ahead in terms of what equipment we bring out and making sure we actually know how to set it up.
- New Business
 - Group Order
 - Kelly Bruland collected everything available so far. Please Respond to Kelly's e-mail to let him know how you would like to collect
 - Thanks Bob!
- Meeting adjourned at 9pm

