



WARRENSBURG AREA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

INC.



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING –August 8, 2015

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 by Cary (KB0HV)

Welcome and Introductions, 15 members, 1 guests

- I. **Secretaries Report** - Joyce, (W0JAF) submitted her report on-line and to the assembled membership. A motion to accept her minute was made by Gary (WA0BTM), seconded by Rick (KB0VZP) and approved 13-1.
- II. **Treasurer's report** – Jim, (K0ITL) submitted the financial report to the assembled membership in his absence. Needing additional details, the report was tabled until the next general meeting.
- III. **ARES:**
 - A. Ares meeting on August 16th at 5 p.m.
- IV. **Emergency Management Report:**
 - A. Healthcare Net on August 19th at 10 a.m.
 - B. MOSWIN Net on August 19th at 10:30 a.m.
 - C. EMA operation with Whiteman AFB will be 8/18-8/20.
- V. **Repeater Committee**
 - A. Ken mowed at the tower site and checked out the breaker problem and found 2 breakers had flipped off. These were reset.
 - B. Rick replaced the two breakers after they blew again and we have not had any further problems.
 - C. A discussion has been heard on the repeaters regarding building an operating position for inside the Holden tower building. Keith (WE0G) suggested forming a committee to make plans for that. Gary (WA0BTM) suggested checking Craig's List for any needed supplies.
 - D. We have seen a need to heat and cool our buildings at the Holden tower site to maintain the life of the equipment there. Rick has acquired a heat/cooling pump system at a bargain price and the cost of the unit is \$500 for a 9000 BTU unit, original cost around \$2500. A motion was made to approve the eventual purchase of this Mini-Split Unit from Rick for \$500 by Robert (KE0AVT) and seconded by Larry (W9XE). Motion was approved 13-1.
- VI. **Website Committee Report:**
 - A. We have determined that we sold 12 tables via PayPal via our website..
- VII. **Upcoming Club Events:**
 1. October's Meeting is the first opening of nominations for WAARCI 2016 Officers.
 2. October's meeting start time will be pushed up to 8:30am in order to get a full meeting in before a CERT callout at the EMA offices scheduled for late morning.
 3. Discussion was had regarding participating in a WAARCI Frankenstein type event on October 31. It was not determined whether we want to join up with another club to do the event in Frankenstein, MO or do it locally. We will discuss this further in the September meeting.
 4. September 26 we will be helping the local veteran's home in their annual Veteran's Run For Freedom. We need volunteer commitments for this event as early as possible.

5. A motion was made to move the September board meeting from 9/25 to Thursday, September 24, due to a conflict with 'Burg Fest by Ken (KO9R) and seconded by Gary (WAØBTM) and was approved 13-1.

VIII. Public Information Officer:

- A. Article on Ken (KO9R) and his weather net to be published very soon

IX. Fund Raising Committee Report:

- A. Decision was made to mail fund raising letter rather than email it. Rick (KBØVZP) has volunteered to print the letters and Larry (W9XE) has volunteered to print the envelopes and have his wife, Mona, hand print the addresses. Larry has reported that he has found many changed addresses on our master membership list as well as some missing members. Larry is correcting these one by one and is looking everyone up on QRZ.com to get the most recent addresses. Hat's off to Larry for taking on this project to update our database. We are almost done with this process and within the week the list will be sent to Cary (KBØHV) to do the final mail merge and produce the letters that Rick (KBØVZP) will print off. When this is done, we will collate the letters and envelopes, and we will get this mailing out.
- B. We have also committed to starting an electronic fund raising campaign by creating a special webpage highlight our fundraising poster, describing our need, and referencing that page on mailings to Larry's List and other electronic correspondents.

X. Old Business:

- A. We are still looking into the possibility of skyping or teleconferencing to our meetings.
- B. Looking into putting out a donation bucket at all club activities for contributions toward the Holden Tower power bill.
- C. Our WAARCI incorporation documents have been renewed with the State regulating authority. This cost the club \$20 and a filing fee of \$1.25.
- D. In order to make our funds in our CD account liquid for our end of the year Tower payment we converted the CD in the bank to cash and deposited it into the Tower Fund account. This transfer cost us \$45 and was a one-time fee and was announced in the July Financial report presented to those present at the General meeting on July 10.
- E. Cary (KBØHV) announced that he is writing an article on the origin of the term Elmer and will be submitting it to any of the hobby magazines that wish to publish it.

XI. Contest Coordinator's Report:

XII. Training Committee Report:

XIII. 2015 Committees

WAARCI Young Hams and mentors – Rick, LindaZ
Repeater – Larry, Jack, Ken, Rick, KeithH, Cary, Randy, Robert
Website/Facebook – Rick, Larry, Cary, Keith
Audit / 501c3 compliance-Rick,Jim
Grants and Charities – Rick, Randy, Cary, Jim
Hamfest – Rick, Ken, Liela, Carl, Cary, Joyce
Field Day – Rick
Fox Hunt –Rick
Training – Cary, Rick
Event Planning – Rick
Library – Rick,Jim
New Member welcoming committee – Samuel, Rick
Bylaws and Constitutional review committee – Rick, Cary, LindaZ, Larry, JimD
Tower site planning – Rick, Ken, Larry, Keith,
Contesting – Keith, Cary, Rick
Patriot Run- Randy , Rick

XIV. New Business:

- A. A Hamfest Hot wash has been suggested and will be scheduled for as soon as possible. .

XV. Tabled Items

- A. Club Membership process review

- B. Drawing for WAARCI Club Attendance — discontinued until further notice
- C. We would like to create a club library list and some sort of check out system. Checked out books are still on a paper list system, I am working on something better and web based so everyone can see where are books are at any time.
- D. Producing a sign to be placed at the cemetery mentioning who maintains the site, and encouraging donations to the county managed trust fund. No motion was made to procure such a sign and the discussion was dropped. Those wishing to contribute to the trust fund should contact Carol Chappelle or Heather Reynolds at the county commissioner's office.
- E. Ken and Cary fixing the front porch at the Awaken Church.
- F. Board voted to table remote receive project until Holden Tower project financing has been accomplished, making that our #1 priority for 2015.

XVI. Announcements

- A. Cary (KB0HV) announced that his Chicken Wings over Warrensburg event went very well and was a great success, and may have even brought an inactive ham back into ham radio. Cary promises an update on the story with more details on the club forum.
- B. FCC Vanity call fees are going away this month.
- C. WWIUSA activity on September 11th, all are invited to attend. Anyone wishing to participate please contact Herb Fiddick or visit the WWIUSA website.

XVII. Club Drawings:

- A. 50/50 pot was won by Frances (KC0TFR). Total collected was \$32.00. \$16 went to the Tower fund.

XVIII. Net Sign-ups:

- A. WAARCI Net Sunday Nights on 146.880 at 8:30 p.m.
 1. August 9th: Cary (KB0HV)
 2. August 16th: Keith (WE0G)
 3. August 23th: Ken (K09R)
 4. August 30th: Jim (K0ITL)
 5. September 6 Rick (KB0VZP)

XIX. Adjourn:

- A. A motion was made to adjourn by Frances (KC0TFR), second by Gary (WA0BTM) and approved to adjourn at 11:00 am.

Next Board Meeting - Friday, August 28th at 6:30 p.m.

Next Club Meeting – Saturday, September 12th at 9:00 a.m..

Respectfully submitted by Joyce A. Fagan, W0JAF, Secretary