



# WARRENSBURG AREA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

INC.



## GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES – November 14, 2015

Meeting was called to order at 9:05 by Cary (KBØHV)

Welcome and Introductions, 16 members, 1 guests

- I. **Secretaries Report** - Joyce, (WØJAF) submitted her report on-line and via proxy to the assembled membership. A motion to accept her minutes was made by Gary (WAØBTM), seconded by Doug (N4RZB) and approved 15-1.
- II. **Treasurer's report** – Jim, (KØITL) submitted the financial reports to the assembled membership.
  - a. Lea Cemetery bill will be submitted this month
  - b. Personal Property tax bill was given to us by Steve Semon, and he was reimbursed for the payment that he already made on the tower property.
  - c. Discussion was had regarding following through any longer with the FEMA grant proposal. A motion was made by Rick (KBØVZP) that we pull out of the grant process seeking \$20,000 for the tower and was seconded by Cary (KBØHV). The motion passed 15-1.
  - d. A motion was made by Walt (KEØCLH) to accept the offer from Steve and Jackie Semon to extend our contract another 2 years, increasing our down payment to \$5000 and making this non-refundable if we fail to complete the contract in 2 more years. This motion was seconded by Robert (KE0AVT) and passed 15-1.
  - e. A motion to accept the November Treasurer's report was made by, Ken (KO9R) and seconded by Gary (WAØBTM) and approved 15-1.
- III. **Officer Nominations**
  - A. Discussion was had regarding proxy votes. There was confusion as to whether we could accept proxy votes that had been emailed to club officers. The requirement for these votes to be in a sealed envelope, and unknown to that board member, won out over any arguments that email was secure and should be able to be used. A vote was taken, and the majority ruled that emailed proxy votes could NOT be used.
  - B. President
    1. *Previous Nominations:*
      - a. Cary (KBØHV) nominated by Ken (KO9R)
      - b. Rick (KBØVZP) nominated by Katie (WØKTE)
    2. **After the vote, Cary (KBØHV) was elected President for 2016-2017**
  - C. Vice-President
    1. *Previous Nominations:*
      - a. Randy (KDØUPY) nominated by Katie (WØKTE)
      - b. Jim (KØITL) nominated by Randy (KDØUPY)
      - c. Doug (N4RZB) nominated by Gary (WAØBTM)
    2. *November meeting Vice – President Nomination Changes:*
      - a. Jim (KØITL) withdrew his nomination
    3. **After the vote, Randy (KDØUPY) was elected Vice President for 2016**
  - D. Secretary

1. *Previous Nominations:*
    - a. Larry (W9XE) nominated by Joyce (WØJAF)
  2. *November meeting Secretary Nomination Changes:*
    - a. Keith (NØVJ) nominated Rick (KBØVZP)
  3. **After the vote, Keith (NØVJ) was elected Secretary for 2016-2017**
- E. Treasurer**
1. *Previous Nominations:*
    - a. Katie (WØKTE) nominated by Larry (W9XE)
  2. *November meeting Treasurer Nomination Changes:*
    - a. Katie (WØKTE) nominated Rick (KBØVZP)
  3. **After the vote, Rick (KBØVZP) was elected Treasurer for 2016**
- IV. **ARES:**
- A. WinLink demonstration scheduled for 11/15 meeting
- V. **Emergency Management Report:**
- VI. **Repeater Committee**
- A. 60' free standing tower was installed by Steve (KE0CYW) on top of the Holden Tower
  - B. A new commercial 2m antenna was installed at the top of this tower, and 7/8 Hardline was run to it and tested.
  - C. The 146.88 repeater was moved temporarily to this site to test the range of our new installation.
  - D. Some thoughts of linking to repeaters in other areas was discussed
  - E. 220 repeater amp has been installed and reports are that it is working better than ever with 60w output.
- VII. **Website Committee Report:**
- A. Larry reports nothing has changed this month on the website
  - B. Discussion was had regarding putting Raffle pages on the website
- VIII. **Upcoming Club Events:**
- A. Christmas Party and Raffle Drawing coming up on December 12<sup>th</sup>.
    1. Discussion was had regarding food at the party. Larry (W9XE) offered to donate and cook a turkey and Keith (NØVJ) has offered to donate and cook a ham.
  - B. We have agreed to participate in the 2016 UCM Boy Scout Merit Badge University, to be held at Skyhaven on April 9<sup>th</sup>.
- IX. **Public Information Officer:**
- a. Discussion was had regarding posting club information via Facebook. It was resolved that information should always be double posted, in both the club forum and on Facebook.
- X. **Fund Raising Committee Report:**
- A. Several people have taken stacks of raffle tickets to sell. Some have volunteered to sit in public places selling the tickets too. The raffles both appear to be going well and a large number of tickets were sold at the club meeting.
- XI. **Old Business:**
- XII. **Contest Coordinator's Report:**
- A. This position is currently open
- XIII. **Training Committee Report:**
- XIV. **2015 Committees**

WAARCI Young Hams and mentors – Rick, LindaZ  
 Repeater – Larry, Jack, Ken, Rick, Cary, Randy, Robert  
 Website/Facebook – Rick, Larry, Cary  
 Audit / 5Ø1c3 compliance-Rick,Jim  
 Grants, Charities and Fund Raising – Rick, Randy, Cary, Jim, Gloria, Sheri  
 Hamfest – Rick, Ken, Liela, Carl, Cary, Joyce, KeithR  
 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  
Contesting – Cary, Rick  
Patriot Run- Randy , Rick

**XV. New Business:**

- A. Jack (NØSAX) has donated a portable tower to the club
- B. A member, wishing to remain anonymous, has proposed giving the club a 7 year loan for the \$15,000 balance we will have after paying an additional \$4000 this year toward the tower. This loan will be at a straight 10% interest and will allow us to pay off the tower on time and get it in our name, and have manageable payments for the next 7 years to pay off the loan. We hope to have this finalized by the December 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**XVI. Tabled Items**

**XVII. Announcements**

Gary (WAØBTM) presented Doug (N4RZB) with a model motorcycle.

**XVIII. Club Drawings and Donations:**

- A. 50/50 pot was won by Caroline (KDØUQA). Total collected was \$36.00. \$36 went to the Tower fund. Thank you Caroline.
- B. The Operating Expenses Donation Bucket, passed around at the meeting, received \$14 and was added to the general operating fund.

**XIX. Net Sign-ups:**

- A. WAARCI Net Sunday Nights on 146.88Ø at 8:3Ø p.m.
  - 1. November 11th: Rick (KBØVZP)
  - 2. November 18th: Jim (KØITL)
  - 3. November 25th: Ken (KO9R)
  - 4. December 6<sup>th</sup>: Cary (KBØHV)

**XX. Adjourn:**

- A. A motion was made to adjourn by Frances (KCØTFR), second by Keith (NØVJ) and all approved to adjourn at 11:40 am.

Next Board Meeting - Friday, November 27th at 6:30 p.m.

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

Respectfully submitted by Rick Ebbesen, KBØVZP, Interim Secretary