InterCity Amateur Radio Club Meeting Minutes

Date: January 8, 2021

I. Call to order

Duane Meadows-K8MDA, President called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. local time.

II. Roll call

Introductions of club members and/or guests.

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Dave Weigold, N8DPW- Made motion to waive the reading of the last meetings minutes.

Danny Bailey, W8DLB - Second

Financial Report – Harry Mains, N8XMI

Motion Dan Baker, AB8SI - Made motion to approve Danny Bailey, W8DLB- Second

IV. Committee Reviews

Health and Welfare

Duane Meadows, K8MDA reported that John Lehman, WA8MHO Passed away Dec 27th

Danny Bailey, W8DLB reported-KC8VTI Bob Jenkins, Ashland County passed away on December 24th and his wife died 10 days before him.

Danny – Was in hospital – blood pressure issues as well as blood sugar issues however, was in attendance at time of report.

PIO

Danny Baker, AB8SI, shared news from the LA Times 12/23/2020 that discussed amateur radio on the ISS. This was on the business section of the paper

Duane Meadows, K8MDA, reported that he received all 12 pictures from the 20th anniversary of continuous operations of amateur radio on the ISS.

Danny Bailey, W8DLB reported frequencies on the ISS Repeater of 837.100, 146.990 67 PL on ISS (PD120) 14.230 – 20Mhz - SSTV

ARES

Danny Bailey, W8DLB reported the following:

Saturday, January 9th VHF simplex contest 10a-4p, can use any mode you want but not using a repeater. DMR/Fusion Simplex. Count as FM contact.

Scott Yonally, N8SY as of January 1, 2021 is new Division Vice Director and Tom Sly, WB8LCD, is new Section Manager. Scott is managing the website and Tom is managing Postscript.

There was a brief discussion regarding ARES Connect and the league is pushing use of this to record volunteer hours.

Dayton Hamfest as of this meeting date was still scheduled.

March Hamfests still on schedule for Toledo and Elyria.

Field Day – 4 people turned their stuff in.

IARC Breakfast -3^{rd} Thursday - Bob Evans on Hanley Rd ARES -3^{rd} Saturday - Denny's -4^{th} St.

Education

VE Testing -35.00 fee - Sign up with Rob Ruth-in Administration Bldg. this month. Upgrade fee is \$15 + \$35

Tech Report

Dave Weigold, N8DPW reported that a month ago he received a notice that it's not safe to keep the tower up at the radio station and that the tower must come down. VASU will not go back up the tower. The tower was put up in approximately 1961. \$4000.00 sitting in an antenna that can't be recovered. In the process of finding another site for the repeater. Question as to whether a crane will bring it down or if they will just drop it. No firm date when it's coming down. Dave has 4 proposals out for new location.

Possible repeater sites:

WSWR a possibility – North of Shelby Dininger Rd and 61 (264ft tall can go up 200-250ft)

Free of charge, just have to put equipment in, they have their own climbers.

Danny's repeater needs to come down off the Shelby Water Tower.

Antenna Professionals – 2 million dollar insurance (Jay)

Duane Meadows, K8MDA – Nothing to vote on there is no firm information.

Danny Bailey, W8DLB could put .36 downtown. Concerns with wind lift. Have antenna at Chase bank.

MARCS went out in Wayne County and 4 hams were placed in 4 cruisers. Ham Radio had a presence.

Danny-220 MHZ Larry and friends hang out

Duane Meadows, K8MDA-Mt. Gilead repeater back up

V. Old Business

VI. New Business

None

VII. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn – Danny Bailey, W8DLB Seconded by Norman Minahan – Second – KE8HLN

Respectfully Submitted,

Jenny Taylor, N8QKE