

InterCity Amateur Radio Club

Meeting Minutes

Date: October 7, 2022

I. Call to order

Danny Bailey, W8DLB called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. local time

II. Roll call

Introductions of club members and/or guests.

Approval of minutes from September 2022 meeting.

Motion to approve minutes

1st- Roland Massatti, K8WUA

2nd- John Thornton, KD8WPE

Motion carried

III. Financial Report – Barbara Meadows, Treasurer

Reported the balances on the club accounts.

CDs currently managed by Harry Frietchen, K8HF

Motion to Approve Financial Report

1st-Dave Weigold, N8DPW

2nd Crail Floyd, KE8JPX

Motion Carried

IV. Committee Reviews

Health and Welfare

Duane Meadows, K8MDA reported he rec'd a message from Harry Frietchen, K8HF that he and his wife had a car and their property destroyed from Hurricane Ian. Duane asked us to keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

Duane also reported Arlin's health continues to improve.

Education

Duane Meadows, K8MDA has reported no classes are scheduled yet. A tech class likely would take 6 sessions for approximately 2 hours each.

After the class, VE's will be available to conduct an exam. A VE team has been established via Laurel and exams are free. The team would like to have a test session every other month. The test sessions would be on the IARC club website, Laurel website, ARRL website, and the Mt. Gilead club website.

Duane will work with Katie to try to get classes set up in the next week or two.

Crail Floyd, KE8JPX stated he's trying to work with Lexington Schools on an amateur radio club.

Tom Miller, N8TWM said the club sponsored VE team may be some add'l costs for paper, ink, etc., but not a lot.

October 15th will be testing in the Sheriff's building at the Richland County Fairgrounds.

Danny Bailey, W8DLB announced that Dave Weigold, N8DPW, Duane Meadows, K8MDA, and Tom Miller, N8TWM are all on the tech committee and will oversee the repeaters, equipment, etc.

PIO

Nothing to report

ARES

Danny Bailey, W8DLB reported that tonight's program will be the SET and will be a review of the Skywarn program. A Skywarn etiquette class will take place to educate members on the proper criteria that should be reported to the Skywarn Net Control operator.

Tech Report

Dave Weigold, N8DPW had nothing to report. He was on vacation and shared some hurricane experience he had been through.

Tom Miller, N8TWM reported that he and the team will be looking into options for remote management of repeaters in case they can't get into the building to manage repeaters or due to other reasons.

ARRL

No Report

V. Old Business

Barbara Meadows, Treasurer, asked if any repairs were made to the trailer and asked if anyone present had receipts they needed to turn in for reimbursement by the club. No one had any receipts to turn in for reimbursement.

Duane Meadows, K8MDA reported he had information on the insurance policy for the club updated. The liability insurance is valid through June 2023. There is no equipment insurance. The Richland County Fairgrounds has an updated copy of the insurance policy.

Danny Bailey, W8DLB reported trunkfest will be the 2nd Saturday in July 2023

Matt Nichols, K8IDF inquired about the tee-shirts for trunkfest. Danny Bailey, W8DLB reported that he's working with Mrs. Wrasse at American Graphics and more details will be discussed after the first of the year, January-February timeframe to discuss tee-shirts further for trunkfest 2023.

VI. New Business

Mike from Urban Flats donated a computer to the club for the trailer.

Tom Miller, N8TWM discussed putting a System Fusion repeater in and the advantages this would bring to the Mansfield area. He explained the sale that was occurring through the end of the year for System Fusion repeater and the add'l equipment that would need to be purchased to be able to implement the technology. This technology would allow for Wires-X to be used as well as the Ohio Link, and also providing communications around the state and world. At most times the repeaters in this area are quiet with limited use. System Fusion would provide more communication opportunities and listening opportunities as well.

The total implementation cost for the project would be \$1500.00

Motion to purchase System Fusion repeater and equipment for IARC club use.

1st - Roland Massatti, K8WUA

2nd - Larry Roop

Motion Carried

VII. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn

1st – Larry Roop, N8RGO

2nd - Dave Weigold, N8DPW

Motion Carried

Respectfully Submitted,
Jenny Taylor, N8QKE