

Treasurer's Report 2018

Daniel Beuchert / WX8MOJ - CMARC Treasurer

October 2018

Beginning Business Checking Account Balance **\$3,921.19**

Total Monthly Income **\$60.00**

Total Monthly Expenditures **(\$956.00)**

Total Business Checking **\$3,024.49**

Petty Cash **\$1.00**

Outstanding Checks **\$0.00**

Subtotal + Petty Cash **\$3,025.49**

Primary Share Accounts

Humphreys Fund **\$383.71**

Building Fund (Club Station) **\$19.09**

Field Day **\$528.31**

Total Net Worth **\$3,956.60**

Youth Fund Balance* **\$254.38**

* Separate from CMARC Funds

CENTRAL MICHIGAN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING MINUTES

October 6, 2018

Attendance

Current Board Members Present:

Clyde Tompkins (K8CPT), Chris Ranes (NS8Q), Tom Rocheleau (WA8WPI), Dan Beuchert (WX8MOJ), Michael Boensch (W8MKB), Gregg Mulder (WB8LZG), Don McLain (KB8RAD)

Current Board Members Absent:

Guests:

John Doornhaag (KD8NNQ), Dave Vick (W8ZZX), Gordy Smith (KE8JKS)

Call to Order

President Clyde Tompkins (K8CPT) called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm.

Antenna

- The committee met two different times looking at the various options for repairing and replacing the tri-band antenna on top of the tall tower, with a budget of between \$500-\$800. The antenna in question is the Mosley TA-33-M.
- The committee decided to purchase the Heavy-Duty Mosley CL-33M tri-bander, which will cost between \$700-\$800. The boom is 4-ft longer than what we have now giving a nice increase in gain. Our goal is to order this antenna as soon as possible to lock in a shipping date and to avoid surcharges from the new aluminum tariffs.
- The committee discussed the idea of repairing the antenna we have now to get us through the winter, by renting a cheap boom-lift. This will allow one person to be in the lift and one person on the tower, while they straighten the reflector, lock it down, and leave it alone.
- Next spring, once the weather has stabilized, we can take our time to build the new antenna correctly, then rent the boom-lift again, fly the antenna in place, and tune it for maximum gain.
- At this point, the Committee and the Board has not decided what to do with the old antenna once it comes down.

October Meeting

- We have not been able to find a speaker for the October meeting.

APRS

- The APRS station has been installed and was initially operational but there must be some other network or internet issues. We are looking at the problem and will have a solution.

501(c)3

- Clyde received an email from Floyd Green CPA, notifying him that CMARC received our non-profit status from the IRS.

- Anything that has been donated by a member after March 30, 2018, can be considered a tax write-off.
- The Board will look at the rules regarding donations and how it will apply to us as a club.
- Any changes to the by-laws that we were considering in order to receive our status need to be brought up to the membership and voted on before they are officially enacted. We are going to bring the changes up to the membership at the October meeting, with an official vote to occur at the November meeting.
- Dan and Chris will meet together to talk logistics as to how donations should be handled.

Membership Directory

- Gregg is proposing that we re-introduce the idea of creating a club directory just for use by members and not to be published online.
- He will contact those people on the membership roster to see if they would like to be in the directory and what information he/she would consider including.

Electronics Class

- Gordy (KE8JKS) has started an Electronics class to run every other Saturday, beginning today.
- The class will start at 12:00 pm and run a couple of hours.
- It is anticipated that the classes will run into December and correlate with what is being talked about in the General class.

Access to the Building for Special Classes

MOTION: *Clyde moved that we ask Kevin to produce an extra door key to be loaned to the Special Event Coordinator, who is approved by the Board, and who will be responsible for all lights and security of the building, seconded by Dan, approved, and the motion carried.*

End of Year Gift to Kevin

- A discussion has been made about giving Kevin \$300 for a year-end gift.
- Dan will create the check and Clyde will contact Kevin to give him the check.

MOTION: *With no further business to discuss, Gregg moved that we adjourn the meeting, seconded by Tom, approved, and the motion carried.*

The meeting was adjourned at 9:13 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Chris Ranes (NS8Q)
CMARC Secretary

CENTRAL MICHIGAN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

MEETING MINUTES

October 12, 2018

Attendance

Board Members Present: Michael Boensch (W8MKB), Dan Beuchert (WX8MOJ), Chris Raney (NS8Q), Tom Rocheleau (WA8WPI), Gregg Mulder (WB8LZG), Don McLain (KB8RAD)

Board Members Absent: Clyde Tompkins (K8CPT)

General Members: 28 Members

Visitors: 4 Visitors

Call to Order

- Michael (W8MKB) called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.
- Tom (WA8WPI) held the Flag for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Sign-in Sheets

- Please make sure to sign the sign-in sheets circulating around the room at each meeting. There is one sheet for members and another for visitors. We use these sheets to keep track of how many people visit us each month.

Cards and Flowers Report

- Joe DeNomme (N8VYS) passed away on October 10th. Details are unknown at this time.

New Members / Visitors

- Gary Cook WA8UGA, Alan Jansen N8OEB, Ed Oxer W8EO, Stephen Smith WA8LMF

Treasurer's Report

MOTION: *Bob (K8ZAP) moved to accept the Treasurer's Report as published on the CMARC website, seconded by John (KD8NNQ), approved, and the motion Carried.*

Secretary's Report

MOTION: *Dan (KD8YDE) moved to accept the Secretary's Report as published on the CMARC website, seconded by John Tyree (W8JTT), approved, and the motion carried.*

New Licenses and Upgrades:

- Josh Scheuneman KE8KOI - New Technician
- Wayne Barker has a new callsign - W8CLN

Interesting or other Contacts

- John Winn (KE8CYC) made his first digital contact to Chile using FL-DIGI

Old Business

- General Class is currently going on with two sessions completed so far. It should run another seven weeks except for the week of Thanksgiving.
 - A special VE session will be held at December 1st following the last session and is open to anyone.
- 501(c)3:
 - We have been officially granted the non-profit status.
 - All donations from after March 31st of this year are able to be written off for taxes purposes.
 - The State of Michigan is very clear on holding raffles of any kind - until we figure out what process we need to go through, all 50/50 raffles will be on hold until that point.
 - All donations should be listed on the Treasurer's report - the Board will look into the requirements of that.
- APRS:
 - The station is currently up an operational for our six-month test.
 - There is an issue with the internet connection in our building and we still do not have a fix for that at this time.

New Business

- Club Triband Antenna
 - The final report from Dave Vick (W8ZZX), Chairman of the Antenna Committee outlined the replacement of our current Mosley TA-33-M with the heavy-duty Mosley CL-33M tri-bander. He is suggesting that we order the antenna as soon as possible to lock in a ship-date and to avoid the extra surcharges coming from the new tariffs on aluminum.
 - The report also outlined a plan to repair the current antenna, just to get us through the winter. Safety is a concern, especially in our all-to-common Michigan ice storms. The plan entails renting a boom-lift, with one person in the lift, and a second person on the tower. Both individuals will straighten the reflector, lock it down, and leave it alone.
 - Next spring, once the weather has stabilized, we can take our time building the new antenna, without rushing. Once it is built, we will rent another boom-lift, fly the new antenna into place, and tune it for maximum gain.
 - The Board has not made a decision on what to do with the old antenna once it comes down.
- Club Directory
 - Gregg Mulder presented the idea of restarting the idea of the club directory.
 - Based on the overwhelmingly positive response from the membership, he will proceed with the project.
 - All upcoming membership renewals forms should be very complete and specific as to what phone numbers and emails you would like included. He will take that information and combine it with current existing databases to make up the content of the directory.
 - A pre-release version will be made available for the members to look at before it is finalized.

- The basic information is what we are looking for (Names, Call Signs, Addresses, Phone Numbers, and Email).
- The new membership forms for next year will be revised with checkboxes for you to check what information you would like to have included in the directory.

MOTION: *John Winn (KE8CYC) moved that we proceed with the creation of the club directory, seconded by Dan (KD8YDE), approved, and the motion carried.*

- Upcoming Events

- Gregg Mulder has a couple more ideas to build projects to begin early winter. If you were unable to be at the meeting, please contact him for more information.
- Boy Scouts JOTA is coming up next weekend.
 - A troop had contacted us about using our equipment for the event.
 - It will be after the General class.
 - More details will be available after we try and work out the logistics.
- Ed Ozer (W8EO) mentioned next week is the school club roundup. It runs the entire week of October 15th, normally during the day.
- Nominations for Board positions will be taken in November. There are three regular Board positions open as well as the Under 22 Director.
- Bylaws
 - Because we are now a 501(c)3 and not a 501(c)7, we need to update our bylaws to reflect the new status.
 - Advanced notice of the changes will be given before the meeting of when we will vote on the changes.
 - The Board would like to make sure the changes are enacted before the new year.

Adjournment

MOTION: *With no further business to discuss, John (KE8CYC) moved that we adjourn the meeting, seconded by Dan (KD8YDE), approved, and the motion carried.*

The meeting was adjourned and at 7:59 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Chris Ranes (NS8Q)
CMARC Secretary