

Treasurer's Report 2020

Shannon Ranes / WA2NVK - CMARC Treasurer

September 2020

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| <u>Beginning Business Checking Account Balance</u> | \$3,473.47 |
| Total Monthly Income | \$20.00 |
| Total Monthly Expenditures | \$0.00 |
| Total Business Checking | \$3,493.47 |
| Petty Cash | \$1.00 |
| Outstanding Checks | (\$80.00) |
| Sub Total + Petty Cash | \$3,414.47 |
| <u>Primary Share Accounts</u> | |
| Humphreys Fund | \$384.37 |
| Club Station | \$19.09 |
| Building Fund | \$100.00 |
| Field Day | \$178.87 |
| Total Net Worth | \$3,996.80 |
| Youth Fund Balance* | \$254.81 |
| * Separate from CMARC Funds | |

We deposited \$20 in Dues.

A \$40 memorial check (written in January) has not been cashed.

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**CENTRAL MICHIGAN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES**

Saturday, September 5, 2020

Attendance

Board Members Present: G. Smith (KE8JKS), D. Dembinski (KD8YDE), S. Ranes (WA2NVK),
D. Vick (W8ZZX), D. McLain (KB8RAD), G. Mulder (WB8LZG)

Board Members Absent: K. Fitzgerald (K9PC)

Visitors: J. Doornhaag (KD8NNQ), C. Ranes (NS8Q)

Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order by President Smith at 7:07pm

Club Business Discussed

- John Doornhaag has acquired a set of new wheels with solid tires for the club's canopy-storage "coffin"; he and Secretary Vick will meet at the clubhouse on Wednesday 9/9 to swap out the old wheels for the new ones. This will make moving the coffin much easier and safer.
- Secretary Vick asked if we could get rid of the donated laser printer in our storage space at the clubhouse, as it is obsolete and taking up space, and no one is using it. John Doornhaag will haul it to a recycler in Charlotte; Vick will help him load it when they get together to change coffin wheels. Treasurer Ranes asked them to salvage the toner cartridges, as they could be sold to raise funds for the club.
- President Smith and Vice-President Dembinski still have several bags of empty cans to turn in for deposits. They will donate the cash returned to the CMARC Building Fund. Discussion ensued regarding posting reminder notices in the Scope and on the Club's Facebook page, regarding making donations to the Building Fund.
- Treasurer Ranes spoke of potentially using Amazon Smile as a fundraiser for the club; for every sale made through our Smile portal on Amazon, the club would collect a small commission. She will research the program further and report back.
- Vice-President Dembinski spoke of hearing people on the LCDRA 2m repeater talking about CMARC being all but dead. We all need to keep public awareness up that the Club is very much alive, and as active as possible in these times.
- Treasurer Ranes noted that Dan Beuchert (WX8MOJ) couldn't attend the Board Meeting due to a family function, but he has sent out an email to the Board regarding the upcoming ARPSC meeting on 9/14. There will be a Skywarn training class conducted via Zoom.
- President Smith noted that he has finally taken delivery of his new computer for doing

online videos, and discussed ideas for a soldering class. It was thought that perhaps such a class could be conducted outdoors in a park picnic shelter, such as the VE Team uses for testing. Further discussion ensued, regarding the scope of class projects, project usefulness vs. kit cost, &c. We will look further into this. We also discussed various antenna-building projects, for a class application.

- It was noted that the Ingham County VE Team has another testing session coming up on 9/12 at Moores Park Pavilion. Don McLain stated that he has had some contacts from people interested in testing this month.
- Our next general membership meeting is this coming Friday, 9/11. Treasurer Raney reminded the Board that there is an election coming up, and we should consider any potential nominations.

Adjournment

- With no further business to discuss, it was Moved by Secretary Vick, seconded by John Doornhaag to adjourn the September Board Meeting at 8:09pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Vick, W8ZZX
CMARC Secretary

CENTRAL MICHIGAN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Friday, September 11, 2020

Attendance

Board Members Present: D. Dembinski (KD8YDE), S. Ranes (WA2NVK), D. Vick (W8ZZX), G. Mulder (WB8LZG), D. McLain (KB8RAD), K. Fitzgerald (N9PC)

Board Members Absent: G. Smith (KE8JKS)

General Members: W8MKB, NS8Q, WD8OVL, KC8QCB, WX8MOJ, KD8MWA, N8FZ, N8LNU, WA8FHI,

Visitors: T. Conroy (WB8HRO)

Call to Order

- The meeting began at 7:03pm. In the absence of the President, VP Dembinski (KD8YDE) presided, assisted by Treasurer Ranes (WA2NVK).
- The assembled club recited the Pledge of Allegiance with no Flag present, followed by a Moment of Silence in memory of the victims of 9/11, as today is the 19th anniversary of the attack.

Sign-In Sheets

- Secretary Vick (W8ZZX) took attendance from the Zoom Participant List.

Cards & Flowers Report

- A card was sent to Bob Strobel (KB8DQQ) who injured his shin.

New Members & Visitors

- Our regular visitor Tim Conroy (WB8HRO) was greeted.

Treasurer's Report

- Moved by Secretary Vick (W8ZZX) supported by Don McLain (KB8RAD) to accept the Treasurer's Report as published in the CMARC website. The motion carried.

Secretary's Report

- Moved by Secretary Vick (W8ZZX) seconded by Don McLain (KB8RAD) to accept the Secretary's Report as published in the CMARC website. The motion carried.

Interesting QSOs, QSLs, DX, and Other Contacts

- Secretary Vick (W8ZZX) received a QSL card from the ARRL HQ station, W1AW
- Gregg Mulder (WB8LZG) made a SOTA contact in Quebec, running QRP.

Old Business

- Secretary Vick (W8ZZX) shared that he and John Doornhaag (KD8NNQ) had successfully replaced the pneumatic wheels on the club's coffin box with new, solid-rubber wheels

and sent the obsolete donated laser printer to Recycling. They would pass the recovered ink tank to Chris Ranes (NS8Q) for resale.

New Business

- Secretary Vick (W8ZZX) shared that the Ingham County VE Team would be holding an outdoor testing session on Saturday, September 12th at 11:00am at the Moores Park Picnic Shelter. Don McLain (KB8RAD) said he had received several inquiries, and anticipated a good turnout.
- Treasurer Ranes (WA2NVK) noted that we would be putting a flyer in the next issue of the Scope regarding a returnable can & bottle drive to benefit the Club's new Building Fund. She noted that Sec. Vick (W8ZZX) had contributed a check toward the Fund.
- Treasurer Ranes also noted that the October CMARC meeting will be Nominations for the Board of Directors; there are terms expiring at the end of the year and elections in December.
- Dan Beuchert (WX8MOJ) stated there would be an ARPSC meeting on Monday, Sept. 21st via Zoom, which would highlight online Skywarn training and Q&A. He shared that if anyone was interested in any special topic for future meetings, let him know. He also stated the group was thinking of recording such meetings for future rebroadcast.
- VP Dembinski (KD8YDE) showed the Club a pair of ARRL antenna theory books that he'd acquired, announcing they were available for interested members to borrow.
- Treasurer Ranes (WA2NVK) announced the QRPCW Club was running it's sprint on September 16th.
- VP Dembinski said he would try to line up a guest speaker for the October meeting.
- Guest Tim Conroy (WB8HRO) shared that he has tested negative for coronavirus, and that he appreciated being able to attend club meetings.
- Russ Fitzgerald (N8FZ) spoke of potentially expanding our Ladies' Night to a broader event, perhaps more of a family banquet. Discussion ensued regarding advertising the event as more of a Family Night, and perhaps rotating locations.
- Russ Fitzgerald also spoke of perhaps specifying one meeting as a picnic, and potentially inviting the MSU Ham Radio Club to a fall picnic and welcoming event. Further discussion ensued regarding how we can take on a mentoring role for the MSU student hams, and the history of CMARC and the MSU Radio Club. Mike Boensch (W8MKB) mentioned connecting a ham radio via SignalLink into Zoom, so attendees can make contacts.
- Russ also asked about club service projects, specifically highway rest area "coffee breaks," and if anyone still did that. Another thought would be a POTA activation, this year being the centennial year.
- Secretary Vick (W8ZZX) stated that since so many members had misplaced the recurring Zoom links for the general meetings, he would make sure they were posted to all members via email and social media in the future.

Adjournment

- With no further business to discuss, it was Moved by Secretary Vick (W8ZZX), seconded by VP Dembinski (KD8YDE) to adjourn the business meeting at 7:57pm.

Tonight's Presentation

- There was no presentation.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Vick, W8ZZX
CMARC Secretary