

## Treasurer's Report – January 2021

Shannon Ranes / WA2NVK – CMARC Treasurer

<b><u>Beginning Business Checking Account Balance</u></b>	<b>\$4,344.24</b>
Total Monthly Income	\$320.00
Total Monthly Business Expenditures	(\$186.00)
Total Business Checking	\$4,478.24
Petty Cash	\$1.00
Outstanding Checks	(\$80.00)
<b>Sub Total + Petty Cash</b>	<b>\$4,399.24</b>

### **Primary Shared Accounts**

Humphrey's Fund	\$384.45
Club Station	\$19.09
Building Fund	\$260.03
Field Day	\$178.91
<b>Total Net Worth</b>	<b>\$5,241.72</b>
Youth Fund Balance*	\$254.85

\*Separate from CMARC Funds

### **Notes**

Checking - Deposited \$320 Dues, Donations, & Cookbook payments.

Building - Deposited \$40 + \$0.01 interest.

Two \$40 memorial checks have not cleared, while two cleared.

Wrote two \$40 memorial checks.

Paid \$106 for USPS PO Box.

# CENTRAL MICHIGAN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Friday, January 2nd, 2021

## 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: C. Ranes (NS8Q), D. Beuchert (WX8MOJ), T. Rocheleau (WA8WPI)

## Call to Order

- The meeting began at 7:05pm

## Club Business

- SURVEY: Dan Beuchert (WZ8MOJ) reported on the current responses to the Club Survey. He stated that many respondents had given good data regarding what they would like out of the Club, and ways they would be willing to help out. Secretary Vick (W8ZZX) inquired if Dan had a feel for what percentage of the responses came from CMARC members, as opposed to non-members; Dan stated that without teasing out the response data, he had no clear idea at this time. The Club will reach out again to area hams via all of our communications and social networking methods this month to try to get more responses, now that the holiday season is over with.
- SCOPE: Chris Ranes (NS8Q) stated the Nov-Dec issue of the Scope would be published this week.
- NEW HAMS: Gregg Mulder (WB8LZG) shared that his daughter-in-law, Veronica Hart, just passed her Tech exam. She is KN6MTD
- TESTING: Secretary Vick (W8ZZX) reminded the Board of the Ingham County VE Team's upcoming testing session on Saturday, January 9th at the West Lansing Church of Christ on W. St. Joe Hwy. There was discussion on the use of Vick's VE Team banner. Tom Rocheleau (WA8WPI) spoke of the Eaton County VE Team's session on December 12th, where they licensed nine new hams, including one candidate who passed all three tests in one day, scoring 100% on the Extra Class Test.
- OFFICERS: Discussion took place on whether the Board officers are shifting in the new year. It was moved by Secretary Vick (W8ZZX), supported by Don McLain (KB8RAD), that all Officers of the club retain their 2020 offices for 2021. The motion passed.
- NETS: VP Dembinski (KD8YDW) spoke about his new morning net on 145.390; it is going well. President Smith (KE8JKS) spoke about the joint technical net he will be starting with the ARPSC on Mondays on 145.390.
- ARPSC H/T TESTING: Dan Beuchert (WX8MOJ) shared that the ARPSC chapter has thirty handheld radios that have been sitting for a couple of years and need to be function-tested;

they would like to have CMARC test them out. Secretary Vick, President Smith, and Dan Beuchert will each take ten rigs for testing. Dan will check with Jim Hannahs at ARPSC and circle back to us with more info.

- TOWER WORK: VP Dembinski (KD8YDE) stated that he would not be borrowing the club's gin pole after all; he would be renting a crane. It was asked if Club Member Pam Denhomme (KD8PSF) had gotten any help to take her tower down. It was not known, although one of the new members, Tom Horton (KD2GVS), had said he'd help out at the December General Membership Meeting.
- TECH: President Smith (KE8JKS) showed his new Raspberry Pi trainer box.
- DONATIONS: Treasurer Ranes (WA2NVK) asked President Smith (KE8JKS) if he has forwarded his letter soliciting donations to Tom Rocheleau (WA8WPI) to be posted on the CMARC website. He had not, but would do so. It was noted that the letter would be printed in the current issue of the Scope newsletter.
- DUES: VP Dembinski (KD8YDE) noted that 2021 membership dues were now due to Membership Director John Doornhaag (KD8NNQ). Cards will be mailed, however the US Postal Service is running slow. LCDRA dues for 2021 are also due at this time. Chris Ranes (NS8Q) stated that he had tweaked the membership renewal forms to allow people to specify how many years they wished to pay for.
- SPEAKER: Treasurer Ranes (WA2NVK) asked if anyone had a speaker for after the January General Meeting; if not, she and Chris Ranes (NS8Q) had a line on a local ham that would present a talk on POTA activations. They would check with him and get back to us.
- USED HAM GEAR: Discussion ensued regarding a lot of used vintage ham gear from Howard Foster and Mike Stocum. The feeling of the Board is that we have no obligation and no desire to deal with this, and we should decline to accept or list this gear.
- WINTER FIELD DAY: Secretary Vick (W8ZZX) asked if anyone planned on competing in Winter Field Day at the end of January this year; we will discuss it at the January Membership Meeting. Further discussion ensued. Several others exhibited interest in working WFD21 and contributing to the Club Aggregate Score. Chris Ranes (NS8Q) shared how well CMARC placed in the State Standings for earlier Field Day contesting.

### **Adjournment**

- With no further business to discuss, it was Moved by Secretary Vick (W8ZZX), seconded by VP Dembinski (KD8YDE) to adjourn the January Board Meeting at 7:58pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Vick, W8ZZX  
CMARC Secretary

# CENTRAL MICHIGAN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

## GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Friday, January 8, 2021

### Attendance

Board Members Present: G. Smith (KE8JKS), D. Dembinski (KD8YDE), S. Ranes (WA2NVK), D. Vick (W8ZZX), D. McLain (KB8RAD), G. Mulder (WB8LZG), K. Fitzgerald (K9PC)

Board Members Absent: None

General Members: W8MKB, K8TS, AC8YF, WX8MOJ, KD8MWA, KD8NNQ, W8QF, KD8JXN, KC8QZB, N8CFM, K8JFM, WD8OVL, NS8Q, KE8PSR, W8TCC, KE8WSH, KD8TMW, KD8VJD, N8OUN, Gene Parker, WA8WPI, N8FZ, K8YHH, KC8ZLQ, KE8KFA, N8NTV, WD8PVS

Visitors: Tim Conroy (WB8HRO)

### Call to Order

- The meeting began at 7:04pm
- VP Dan Dembinski (KD8YDE) led the club in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### Sign-In Sheets

- Secretary Dave Vick (W8ZZX) took attendance from the Zoom register.

### General Announcements

- This weekend is the CW portion of the North American QSO Party contest, from 1800 UTC Saturday, January 9th thru 1800 UTC Sunday, January 10th.
- President Smith (KE8JKS) noted he now had soldering kits for his upcoming Soldering Class; they're QRP transceiver kits for \$10 each. He stated he was seeking more interest in holding the class, and would be setting the class date soon.
- It was noted that there would be an LCDRA training meeting via Zoom on Monday, January 21st at 7pm. Mike Boensch (W8MKB) will be sending out a reminder.
- President Smith (KE8JKS) and Dan Beuchert (WX8MOJ) spoke about the upcoming Emergency Training & Tech Nets to be run as an LCDRA/CMARC joint venture on 145.390, Mondays at 7pm. The second Monday of each month is ARPSC Training Net, the third Monday will have no net, as it's the ARPSC Zoom meeting night, and the first and fourth Mondays are the CMARC Tech Net. If there is a fifth Monday in a given month, no net will run.
- Discussion ensued regarding the upcoming VE testing session on Saturday, January 9th at 11am at the West Lansing Church of Christ on W. St. Joe. Director Don McLain (KB8RAD) shared that he was expecting at least sixteen candidates to take tests.

- Dan Beuchert (WX8MOJ) gave the group an update on the CMARC Steering Committee's questionnaire. We still would like more input from members and area hams.
- Building Committee - No report; the next Committee meeting is Saturday, January 9th.
- Treasurer Shannon Ranes (WA2NVK) reported that President Smith's letter seeking donations had low results.

### **Cards & Flowers Report**

- Treasurer Ranes (WA2NVK) submitted the following report: In memory of SK Michael Baird (N8NBZ) the club donated \$40 to the Capital Area Humane Society. In memory of Leon Tillitson, son of Don (WB8NUS) and MaryLou Tillitson, the club donated \$40 to the Delta Mills United Methodist Church. And in memory of SK Max Grove (WD8BDR), the club donated \$40 to The National Pancreas Foundation.

### **New Members & Visitors**

- We were joined once again by visitor Tim Conroy (WB8HRO) of Okemos.

### **Treasurer's Report**

- It was moved by VP Dembinski (KD8YDE), supported by Director Don McLain (KB8RAD) to accept the Treasurer's Report as published on the club website. The motion passed.

### **Secretary's Report**

- It was moved by Secretary Vick (W8ZZX), supported by John Doornhaag (KD8NNQ) to accept the Secretary's Report as published on the club website. The motion passed.

### **Interesting QSOs, QSLs, DX, & Other Contacts**

- Michael Wetzel (W8QF) reported contacts in Brazil & Germany.
- Secretary Vick (W8ZZX) reported a QSO with HK3C near Bogota, Columbia on 10m.

### **Old Business**

- VP Dembinski (KD8YDE) reported on the Morning Drive net on 145.390. Attendance is growing.
- Treasurer Ranes (WA2NVK) reported the club still had 40 copies of the CMARC Cookbook left to sell, she had sold seven copies this past December. Copies are \$5 each.

### **New Business**

- Secretary Vick (W8ZZX) spoke on the upcoming Winter Field Day on the last weekend in January. He had posted the contest rules link on the CMARC facebook page.

### **For the Good of the Order**

- Secretary Vick (W8ZZX) noted that the FCC has raised the rates for licensing to \$35. The effective date of the fee schedule has not been established, but it will be announced in the Federal Register at least 30 days in advance.
- Carl Canfield (K8YHH) noted that an email address is now required by the FCC for all hams' identification files. The new rule takes effect June 29th.

- Gregg Mulder (WB8LZG) announced that his daughter-in-law got her ham license. She is now KD6MTD.
- \* Further discussion ensued regarding tomorrow's VE session.

### **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 7:49pm and move to the social portion of the evening.

### **Tonight's Presentation**

- There was no presentation

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Vick, W8ZZX  
CMARC Secretary