

WAR minutes for July 12, 2005

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At 1:20 pm. the meeting was called to order by the Vice-Chairman, Dan Bolander. It was held in Eau Claire, WI at the airport.

Introduction of members and guests:

K9OQO	Jim Sheetz
N9WSZ	Milt Klingsporn
KB9RCG	Margie Klingsporn
KC9CRG	Dave Urness
KC9AMC	Ron Larson
KB9R	Joe Eide
KC9FEE	Mark Marusik
N9QIP	Len Kreyer
WD9HFT	Gale Sorum
N9PPB	Roger Turner
KE9KW	Jon Case
KA9FUR	Dave Karr
WB9PMF	Tim Rose
N9VOY	Robert Rose
KA9OMC	Steve Hart
N9KMU	Dave Kaun
K5ZC	Jim Maynard
KG9NG	Sam Rowe
KA0KMJ	John Czech
N0FWG	Jerry Dorf
WB9RBD	Jim Broulette
WB9TYT	Dan Bolander

Secretary's Report:

There were no additions or corrections to the minutes. Steve, KA9OMC, made a motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting as printed in the newsletter. The motion was seconded by Jim, WB9RBD and approved by the members present.

Treasurer's Report:

The balance for July 12, 2005 is \$3570.14. This is after the expenses for the July newsletter. Jim, WB9RBD, made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. The motion was seconded by Ron, KC9AMC and approved by unanimous consent.

Communications:

Please sign up for the WAR reflector. You don't have to worry about getting buried. The traffic is very light. To sign up for the reflector go to "<http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/war>".

Frequency Coordinator:

NFCC:

At the Dayton Hamfest the NFCC began to restructure. The email list is being rebuilt and elections will begin this fall.

IRA:

Dave and Milt attended the IRA annual meeting. WAR has a good working relation with the folks in Illinois.

MARC:

Michigan has traditionally been a problem and they are back in a problem mode. They are refusing coordinations because their band plan

does not agree with band plans of WAR or IRA. MARC has indicated that a WAR repeater is causing interference with one of their machines. The Michigan repeater is not coordinated. MARC's "Shared Non-Protected" pair of 440.500 is in conflict with the WAR band plan. At some point a machine was placed on 440.500 and caused interference with the link of a high profile Milwaukee repeater. MARC is experiencing a four year backlog in coordinations.

MRC

The MRC told WAR of an ongoing interference problem from the 147.390 repeater. The WI repeater had moved back in 2001 and was not coordinated. After modeling the new location Dave found that there was a definite problem. If a repeater is moved it may require a new frequency because of the coverage change.

20-KHz Spacing

The value of 20-KHz spacing was discussed. This is superior and would free up a lot of pairs. If done state by state the improvement is minimal and only helps the center of the state. To reap the benefits it requires the neighboring states to work together.

New Business:

The Minnesota Repeater Council fall 2005 meeting will be held Oct 22, 2005 at the north St. Paul Community Center. Registration at 1:00 PM with the call to order at 2:00 PM.

WAR renewal letters will be going out at the end of summer or early fall.

The third and final meeting of 2005 is Nov 12th in Milwaukee, WI. The location is T.B.D.

Jim, WB9RBD, moved that the meeting be closed. Ron, KC9AMC, seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Margie Klingsporn (KB9RCG)

and

Mark Heimmermann (KF9CS)
Wisconsin Association of Repeaters, Secretary