

CMRA

Club Meeting Minutes: February 14, 2012

Meeting called to order by Dan, KC0UTW at 7:02 PM.

Introductions all around with 22 present.

According to the sign-in sheet, those in attendance were:

AB0SE, AC0G, AE0S, K0YBN, K4CHS, KC0HSB, KC0UTW, KC0WGB, KC0YNS, KD0ADB, KD0BVQ, KD0EAG, KD0IRU, KD0PAI, KI4YIH, N0AXZ, N0OFJ, N0UBC, N2DNJ, W0VNO, WB0MAF, and WY0B.

Treasurer's Report:

Checking:	\$1,875.79
Savings:	\$2,255.95
CD:	\$2,283.06

Old Business:

Mike, AC0G, reports that that he has received a trap dipole antenna that is destined for the Club Station. It was moved, seconded, and approved by vote to reimburse Mike for out of pocket expenses for same. He also reported that the existing end fed antenna needs to be re-anchored. There will be an antenna party to address these issues prior to the Mo. QSO Party. The work will probably be scheduled for early March.

It was also mentioned that the City of Columbia will be installing a system at the station / tower and that the City will deal with any interference that might be experienced.

Don, KM0R, reported that the gateway computer has a problem that necessitated its removal for repairs.

Don, KM0R, reports that the Intertie equipment is scheduled to be reinstalled on February 25th.

John, KC0HSB, Bill, N0AXZ, and Don, KM0R have done a lot of work on the new Club website. A link to a Beta version of the site was sent to Club officers and it looked fresh and well polished. John mentioned that Nathan, KC0LCS, was instrumental in acquiring the table code that was quite helpful.

There was a bit of discussion centering on how much information should be open to the general public on the web site, and whether the site should have a Members Only Content area. A Club Web Site Oversight committee was formed, comprised of KC0HSB, KM0R, N0AXZ, and Mike, AC0G. Let the committee members know of your thoughts, concerns, and opinions.

It was reported that there were a limited number of openings still for the Weather Spotter Training which will be held February 21 at the Police Training Academy. For info, call 874 – 7400.

Mike, AC0G, mentioned the Club Listserv and that one of its main purposes is to be a place to pose questions regarding amateur radio topics in general. Such use is encouraged.

Bill, N0AXZ, has offered to assist the Froze Toes race which will be held February 26th. The event is scheduled to start at 9:00 am. If you can help, contact Bill.

New Business:

Jim, WY0B, mentioned seeing the following in the February Missouri Section News email:

With the permission of Jeri Hammond (K0RPH) the MMARC applied to the FCC to acquire N0SS, the call of Tom Hammond (SK). The application was approved shortly before the first of the year and N0SS is now the club vanity call. N0SS will be used for special events and field day. This will allow Tom's Club to keep N0SS active and pay tribute to his memory every time the distinctive call is heard on CW.

Bob, K0YBN, mentioned that if the Club would like to hold the annual auction we need someone to step up and take the lead on it. If leadership is not forthcoming, we need to cancel our room reservation before the end of May.

Bill, N0AXZ, asked how other local operators are faring running WinMor (sp?)

The question of when we need to reserve the state park site for Field Day. Mac, K4CHS, said he planned to contact the park February 15th, so we should know more by next meeting. Mike, AC0G, also mentioned the Club Station as an alternate site.

Club dues are due. Contact Don, KM0R.

Let Mike, AC0G, know about educational programs that you might want to see brought to the club, or would be willing to present, for the club meeting nights in 2012.

Meeting was **adjourned at 7:58 PM.**

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Lawler / WY0B
CMRA Recording secretary