
Central West Virginia Wireless Association

Clarksburg, WV 26301
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Monthly Meeting Minutes April 8, 2023

Call to order:

A meeting of the CWVWA was held on April 8, 2023 at FOP Restaurant in Clarksburg. It was called to order at 9:00am and was presided over by President Ed Messenger, N8OYY, with Jason Robinson, N3LSJ, as Secretary.

Attendees: There were 31 total people in attendance including 4 officers, 2 guests, 2 prospective members and 27 voting members. (please see attached list)

Approval of prior month's minutes:

Before the previous monthly minutes were read aloud, a motion was made:

MOTION: A motion was made by Todd White, K8SKD, second by Pat Chumley, K8PEC, to accept the March 2023 minutes as posted on the website.

VOTED: UNANIMOUS FOR

Treasurer's Report:

A financial report was read aloud by Treasurer Todd White, K8SKD, for the previous month. Beginning balance was \$4963.86 and ending balance was \$4822.96. (please see attached report for all credits and debits)

Health of members:

The club heard reports and updates on the health of members: Phil Rogers KB8KJB (SK); Bill Snyder, N8BBD; Bud Flanagan, WV8REX; Tom Bartlett, N3ACX; Bryan Sanders, NU8J and Mike Bayer, KE8VNN.

Please keep these members in your thoughts and prayers.

Committee Reports:

Field Day 2023 Committee: Ed reported that there will be a meeting set for the committee as soon as possible, to be announced on the club facebook page.

Insurance Policy Committee: Ed informed the group that the new policies for insurance are in place.

501c3 Committee: Ed informed the group that of the 3 steps to application for this tax status, the committee has completed the first 2. The committee is awaiting approval from the state to complete the 3rd step with the federal government.

Parks on the Air Committee: Jason informed the group that the first POTA outing is scheduled for April 15th at Valley Falls S.P. in Fairmont. Setup s at 11am and on air by 12pm. Please plan to attend. Sonny informed the group of plans to slow down the flow on air and welcome newer members and operators to join in.

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Technical Committee: Doug informed the group that we are still waiting on the tower climbers for the feedline/antenna installation for the club repeater.

VE Testing Committee: Ed informed the group of the next testing session to be held on April 27, 2023 starting at 7pm to be held at the CWVWA club room located at 633 Pike Street in Clarksburg. He also updated the club on the great turnout they have been having with the Technician Classes.

Website Committee: Nothing to report.

Ed reminded the club about the upcoming summer picnic to be held on August 19, 2023 at Clarksburg City Park in Nutter Fort, start time 12pm.

Fund Raising: Nothing to report at this time.

PIO Report: Nothing to report at this time, members please go to club facebook page for monthly PIO Report video by Patrick Clark, K8TAC.

Dipole antenna build class: A date was set for the class to be held on Saturday May 6, 2023 at the CWVWA club room (633 Pike St. Clarksburg) beginning at 9am. Cost is \$25 to pay for materials, attendees will be able to take home a dipole antenna for the HF band of their choice. Please sign up on the facebook page if you plan to attend.

CWVWA Club Room Update: Ed informed the group that the 2m antenna has been installed at that location, plans are also underway for an HF antenna installation. Rod Tenney, WJ8L, has built a roof mount for the club to suit that installation.

NOAA Skywarn weather spotting class announcement: Ed informed the group that a SkyWarn class is set for April 19, 2023 at 6pm to be held at the CWVWA club room. Presentation will be open to the public. Please plan to attend.

MOTION: A motion was made by Jason Robinson, N3LSJ, second by Pat Chumley K8PEC, to purchase a rain gauge for giveaway at the Skywarn class not to exceed \$50.

VOTED: UNANIMOUS FOR

Volunteers on the Air: Bryan updated the group on the upcoming VOTA event for West Virginia, to be held in June. If you would like to take part please contact Bryan Sanders, NU8J.

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Further old business:

Dick Fowler, N8FMD, asked to address the club pertaining to his membership status and a motion was made:

MOTION: A motion was made by Doug Cutlip, KX8T, second by Bryan Sanders, NU8J, to rescind the termination of Dick Fowler's membership in CWVWA.

Discussion:

Doug explained that he felt that removing Dick Fowler from the club was very unwarranted and that the council should have sent a warning letter first.

Dick Fowler addressed the group with copies of the letter provided to him by the council and also copies of the CWVWA Bylaws. He explained to the club he felt that all accusations were hearsay. He claimed that every officer in this organization have been in violation of the bylaws from the beginning. He claimed that he violated no bylaws from this organization. Officers in the club offered reasons for removal.

Doug Cutlip addressed the group also, commenting how Dick is a valuable asset to this club and how everyone has said things that they don't mean. He stated that we all need to try and work together and move forward. Also, everyone that has a job in this club should ask for help if needed.

The discussion ended with Dick Fowler quitting as a member of the club, due to his belief that the bylaws were not being followed, before a vote had been taken on the motion.

The president stated that there was still a motion on the floor that needed to be voted on (see above motion). Doug claimed that he wanted there to be a vote on the motion, he would not rescind the motion.

An additional motion was made:

MOTION: An additional motion was made by Doug Cutlip, KX8T, second by Tim Stout, KC8QWV, for there to be a vote on the previous motion by show of hands.

VOTED: 9 yay's, 17 nay's

***MOTION DID NOT CARRY**

The president stated that this vote would be carried out by a paper vote.

At this time, Doug Cutlip rescinded his motion pertaining to the termination of Dick Fowler and informed the president that he and his family will no longer participate in the club due to his belief that the bylaws are not being followed.

***MOTION RESCINDED**

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New Business:

Applications for membership:

Mike Perry, (no callsign yet) Associate Member

Mack Morris, KE8LXQ

Rod Tenney, WJ8L

MOTION: A motion was made by Todd White, K8SKD, second by Jason Robinson, N3LSJ, to accept these individuals as members in CWVWA.

VOTED: UNANIMOUS FOR

Net Control Stations Set:

Thursday Night Traders Net:

4.13.23: Tim, KC8QWV

4.20.23: Dan, WZ8O

4.27.23: Ed, N8OYY

5.04.23: Todd, K8SKD

5.11.23: Ross, KE8UVF

Sunday 80m HF Net: Sonny, WC8L

Motion to adjourn was made at 10:17am

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Executive Council Minutes April 30, 2023

Call to Order:

A meeting of the CWVWA Executive Council was held on April 30, 2023 at the CWVWA Clubhouse located at 663 Pike Street in Clarksburg. The meeting was called to order at 4:58pm and presided over by President Ed Messenger, N8OYY, with Jason Robinson, N3LSJ as Secretary.

In Attendance:

Ed Messenger, N8OYY
Sonny Jobe, WC8L
Todd White, K8SKD
Jason Robinson, N3LSJ
Dan Vincent, WZ8O
Rusty Cottrill, NV8K
Patrick Clark, K8TAC

Ed Messenger started the meeting by discussing the subject of internet service at the clubhouse and should we burden the club with paying for the service. The service would be used for making the 147.210 repeater operational on the wires-X digital network and also used for educational needs during licensing classes and other workshops held by the club. The members of the council discussed this and ultimately a motion was made:

MOTION: A motion was made by Patrick Clark, second by Sonny Jobe, that Todd White investigate internet service providers, pricing and to move forward with internet service at the clubhouse with a cap of \$80 monthly.

VOTED: UNANIMOUS FOR

Ed Messenger further discussed the 501c3 application status with the group and explained that the application to the IRS has been submitted. When he searches for CWVWA on the status site online, it has indicated that no applications had been approved since March 1, 2023. As far as he knows, the club has done everything required to satisfy the application and we are just waiting on approval which looks like it could take some time. Members of the council would like to see the club apply for the state raffle license once that IRS application is approved. More TBD.

Ed informed the group of a donation by Nick Good, KE8WHI, of three sections of mast pipe and couplings to connect them for the HF antenna installation at the clubhouse. If anyone talks to him on the radio, please thank him for that contribution.

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The next order of business was a discussion about Field Day 2023. The council discussed the rules and any changes noticed by those who read the rules. It was discussed that the point system was changed in regards to the GOTA station.

It was discussed that a few members may come and team up to operate a CW station during Field Day this year.

A location change for this year was also discussed. Todd White is in contact with the administration at Lincoln Middle School in Shinnston and they may let us use their parking lot that weekend for our gathering. More TBD.

The group discussed various bands of operation and antenna setup locations if we decided to gather at the new location.

Patrick Clark called the Nutter Fort fire department and set up use of their generator to provide power to the site as we have in the past.

Ed informed the group that Pat Chumley, K8PEC, submitted a letter to have donuts and coffee donated for Sunday morning and was approved, please thank him when you see him.

Sonny Jobe will pair operators for stations during Field Day.

Food was discussed and Ed added the possibility of offering a dinner to draw members of the public in to expose them to Amateur Radio.

Motion to adjourn was made at 6:20pm



Monthly Meeting Attendance Roster:

Meeting Date: **4-8-23**

- Name: Jaton Robinson Callsign: N3LSJ Email: _____
- Name: Ed Messenger Callsign: N8074 Email: _____
- Name: LEON LUCAS Callsign: KE8CBQ Email: _____
- Name: DENVER FERRAL Callsign: KE8NVA Email: _____
- Name: Rogers EW Callsign: W8EWR Email: _____
- Name: Dick Fowler Callsign: N8FMD Email: _____
- Name: Janice Fowler Callsign: N8FXJ Email: _____
- Name: CARSON STROTHER Callsign: KE8WBT Email: CARSON432@MJSW.COM
- Name: Hal Sickles Callsign: N8HAL Email: _____
- Name: BILL EVERITT Callsign: W1WRE Email: _____
- Name: MACK MORRIS Callsign: KE8LYQ Email: BIGMACK1953@gmail.com
- Name: DAVE MORRIS Callsign: K1WXA Email: _____
- Name: ED WHITE Callsign: KC8H01 Email: _____
- Name: Doug Freeman Callsign: W8DOF Email: _____
- Name: ROB TSNUEY Callsign: WJ8L Email: VRTSNUEY@GMAIL.COM
- Name: Dan Vincent Callsign: WZ8O Email: _____
- Name: Pat Chumley Callsign: KOPEC Email: _____
- Name: Rusty Cottrill Callsign: NV8K Email: _____
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- Name: Ed Rowins Callsign: KE8VNT Email: wvbusdriver@gmail.com
- Name: Todd White Callsign: K8SKD Email: _____
- Name: TIM STOUT Callsign: KE8QW Email: _____
- Name: William Postlerwait Callsign: N1A Email: _____
- Name: Bryan Sanders Callsign: N885 Email: Flyfshn76@gmail.com
- Name: Kelly Flint Callsign: NM7H Email: _____
- Name: Sonny Jobe Callsign: W88L Email: _____
- Name: John Lappie Callsign: K2WVU Email: _____
- Name: Doug Cutlip Callsign: KX8T Email: doug cutlip@gmail.com

TREASURER'S REPORT
CENTRAL WEST VIRGINIA WIRELESS ASSOCIATION
 March 11, 2023 - April 8, 2023

WESBANCO

Balance on Hand 3/11/23 \$4,963.86

INCOME (DEPOSITS)

This Month

Member Dues	5 Individual	\$100.00
Donations		\$0.00
Monthly Raffle		\$130.00
Transfer from Paypal		\$42.45
Shirt Money		\$99.00

Total Wesbanco Income \$371.45

EXPENCES (DEBTS)

Debt Card	Amazon-3 Rolls of Wire for Dipole Class	\$192.45
Debt Card	Amazon -3d Printer Filament for Dipole Class	\$83.44
Debt Card	Amazon -Eyebolts for Dipole Class	\$19.38
Debt Card	Amazon -Screws and Washers for Dipole Class	\$16.56
Debt Card	Amazon -Ring Terminals, Nuts and Bolts for Dipole Class	\$25.63
Debt Card	Amazon -Ring Terminals for Dipole Class	\$16.40
Debt Card	State of WV-Fee to for a coperation to obtain 501c3	\$50.00
Debt Card	State of WV-Fee to for a coperation to obtain 501c3	\$30.68
Debt Card	Lowe's -Cleaning Supplies and a Ballaast for Club Room	\$48.60
Debt Card	Ebay -SQ239's for Dipole Class	\$29.21

Total Wesbanco Expences \$512.35

Wesbanco Balance \$4,822.96

Paypal

Balance on Hand 3/11/23 \$0.00

INCOME (DEPOSITS)

This Month

Member Dues	ONE Individual 1 Family	\$45.00
Donations		\$0.00

Total Income \$45.00

EXPENCES (DEBTS)

Paypal Fees		\$2.55
Transfer To Wesbanco		\$42.45

Total Paypal Expences \$45.00

Paypal Balance \$0.00

BALANCE ON HAND 04/08/23 \$4,822.96