
Central West Virginia Wireless Association

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Executive Committee Meeting 5.11.2022

Minutes:

A meeting of the CWVWA Executive Committee was held at Panera Bread in Clarksburg on 5.11.2022

In attendance:

Ed Messenger

Sonny Jobe

Jason Robinson

Chad Ward

Derek Long

John Lappie

Todd White

Meeting called to order at 6:10pm by Ed messenger, President

Monthly raffle items were discussed for the upcoming monthly meeting on 5.14.2022. A 100w VHF amplifier was donated to the club by Derek, WV8DL. Also discussed was the suggestion to purchase two (2) Dx Engineering gift cards in the amount of \$25 each to use for raffle items at future meetings where we have no donated items to raffle.

Ed talked about plans to have the next Field Day Committee meeting on 5.14.2022 at the field day site following the monthly meeting weather permitting. If there were to be bad weather it will be held at the FOP directly after the monthly meeting. Details to be discussed further on 5.14.2022.

Jason Discussed with the group the possibility of another Parks on the Air outing for the club in July as there is already a club event in June. John will talk with some of his contacts in the DNR and try to come up with a site to have the next POTA event. Coopers Rock was discussed as a possibility.

Ed brought to the attention of the committee he has an IRS form for the club showing the CWVWA Tax ID #. He will investigate as to what exactly the status is and see if there is any type of tax exempt or non profit status associated with this number. Sonny suggested that if nothing associated with the Tax ID #, we should bring to the general membership a motion to apply for 501c3/501c7 status.

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The executive committee discussed that Dick Fowler would like permission from the club to take the club trailer (with logo) to Dayton this year to carry items for sale. He has offered to club members to take any items they may want to sell at the hamfest flea market as long as he has a price and minimum asking price for each item. Insurance liability issues were discussed and after some investigation into that issue, it was discovered that the liability would fall to the towing vehicles insurance should an accident occur. The issue of setting precedence for future use of the trailer was also discussed. Members would like to ensure that the trailer is used for amateur radio related events and not just personal use. It was discussed that the officers of the club should sit down in the near future to come up with guidelines for future use of the trailer by individual members.

MOTION: A motion was made by John Lappie, second by Jason Robinson to grant use of the club trailer to Dick and Doug for the 2022 Hamvention event. Also, officers will come up with guidelines within 60 days for member use of the trailers for non CWVWA sponsored events.

VOTED: 5 votes in the affirmative, 1 vote against, 1 member did not vote

Todd reported that the registration for the new trailer is back from the DMV and needs to go in the recently purchased club trailer.

He also reported that there was 1 application for new membership to be discussed at the monthly meeting on 5.14.2022

Sonny reported that he attended the Club Grant webinar presented by the ARRL and after hearing the guidelines presented, the projects proposed by the club for the grant will not fit the guidelines. The club will stop the pursuit of the ARRL Club Grant Program for 2022.

The committee discussed the outcome of the first ZOOM education series event. One suggestion was to try a mid week evening or a weekend evening this time to possibly promote more member attendance. Ed suggested that the next event could be about the ARRL and what they do for their members.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:59pm by John Lappie, K2WVU, and second made by Derek Long, WV8DL

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Monthly Meeting Minutes May 14, 2022

Call to Order:

A club meeting of the CWVWA was held on May 14, 2022 at FOP Restaurant. It was called to order at 9:10am and was presided over by Ed Messenger, N8OYY, with Jason Robinson, N3LSJ, as secretary.

Attendees:

There were 24 people in attendance, to include 23 voting members and 1 associate member. 4 officers were present.

Approval of Minutes:

The reading of the minutes for the April 2022 Meeting, as well as the minutes from the Executive Committee meeting held on May 11, 2022 were read by Jason Robinson, N3LSJ.

MOTION:

A motion was made by Bryan Sanders, NU8J and 2nd made by Chad Ward, K8CMW to accept the minutes as read with no additions or corrections needed.

VOTED: UNANIMOUS FOR

Treasurers Report:

A treasurers report was read by Todd White, K8SKD
Previous months balance was \$5232.36 + deposit (dues and raffle) of \$346.00 + transfer (PayPal) of \$18.81 – debit of \$47.71 (food for POTA outing) = Current balance of \$5,549.46

Health of Members:

The club heard reports on the health of: Bill and Drema Snyder, Bud Flanagan, Craig Coonley's wife and Denver Ferrell

Committee Reports:

Parks on the Air: Jason Robinson reported that the POTA Committee will be planning an outing for the month of July 2022. Possible park may be Coopers Rock. More to be discussed at the June monthly meeting. John Lappie, K2WVU, will reach out to contacts for possible sites.

Special Events: nothing to report

Technical Committee: submitted a cost estimate to the club for the antenna/feedline project for the club repeater.

VE Testing: Monthly testing session for May will be on the 26th at St. Marks Lutheran Church.

Website: The website dates are current, contact Todd for anything else you see.

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Education Committee: Ed Messenger reported on the April educational series ZOOM meeting featuring the presentation by Tim Duffy, K3LR, showing his contesting station. Another session of the series is in the works for the future, Ed suggested we get the Director and Vice Director of the ARRL Roanoke Division to present a talk on what the ARRL does for its members and happenings in the Roanoke Division.

Field Day Committee: Ed Messenger reported that a committee meeting is scheduled for 5-14-2022, directly after the monthly meeting, to be held at the field day operating site. Ed also made an executive decision as President to appoint Sonny Jobe, WC8L and Chad Ward, K8CMW both co-chairpersons for the field day committee going forward. Chad Ward, K8CMW, briefly talked about having more participation during field day this year from all club members and will be in contact with members to come up with operating teams.

Ed Messenger reminded all members once again that the club summer picnic will be held on August 20th at Norwood Park in Nutter Fort.

Fund Raising: The club is still looking into having a raffle for a walmart gift card. Ed also reported that after some more investigating into the Buffalo Wild Wings fund raising opportunity, a 501c3 tax status is required by them to have the fund raiser. So, until we have that status we can not do it. Ed appointed Sonny Jobe, WC8L and Derek Long, WV8DL, as the team to further explore attaining a 501c3 and contact an accountant. Both will report back to the club next monthly meeting as to the status.

Ed messenger informed the club that we will be sponsoring another Technician License Class at the Clarksburg YMCA starting on Wednesday, May 18th at 5pm. As of now there are 2 attendees confirmed and possibly a 3rd.

Ed Messenger reported again about the ARRL Club Grant opportunity and the club has decided not to pursue that for the year 2022. Still a possibility for the future.

ARRL Public Information Officer Report: Chad Ward, K8CMW, reported that the ARRL Digital Contest is coming up on June 6, 2022. Also Hamvention will be held from May 20th thru May 22nd, 2022 in Xenia Ohio and all are encouraged to attend.

New Business:

The Technical Committee has submitted to the club a quote for the replacement of the feedline and antenna along with associated expenses for the club repeater.

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Expenses for the project are as follows:

2 bay folded dipole: \$1006.13

8 foot galvanized pipe and hardware: \$80.00

7/8" hardline (@\$2.72/foot): \$720.00

Male connector: \$30.00

Female connector: \$30.00

1 roll of solid tie wire: \$80.00

Total: \$1946.13 (plus shipping)

Climbing and installation is also estimated at another \$1,000.00

Grand Total is estimated to be: \$2946.13 (plus shipping)

MOTION: A motion was made by Dick Fowler, N8FMD and 2nd by Kyle Caissie, KO4HPP to move forward with the purchase of all equipment as outlined in the proposal from the Technical Committee.

VOTED: UNANIMOUS FOR

New Membership Applications:

Bill Watton, KE8QWO

Jason Roberts, KE8UEW

MOTION: A motion was made by Todd White, K8SKW and 2nd by Bryan Sanders, NU8J, to accept these members into the CWVWA.

VOTED: UNANIMOUS FOR

Fund raiser revisited:

The proposal for a club fund raiser was discussed in detail among club members: General consensus was to have a \$250.00 walmart gift card raffle to start ticket sales at the June meeting and end at the August meeting. Drawing to be held at the club summer picnic on August 20th.

MOTION: A motion was made by Todd White, K8SKD, 2nd by Bryan Sanders, NU8J, to move forward with the above stated parameters, with the addition of selling the tickets for \$2 each or 3 tickets for \$5.

VOTED: UNANIMOUS FOR

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Net Control Stations:

Monthly HF Net:

5.15.2022- Sonny Jobe, WC8L

Thursday Night Traders Net:

5.19.2022- Tim, KC8QWV

5.26.2022- Bryan, NU8J

6.2.2022- Todd, K8SKD

6.9.2022- Chad, K8CMW

A letter from our President:

At the end of the meeting, Ed Messenger submitted a letter to the club resigning from the President position of CWVWA. He read the letter aloud and cited various reasons for wanting to resign. (letter attached in secretary's records)

An emergency meeting of the Executive Committee will be called as to whether or not this resignation will be accepted. If approved, the position will be filled pursuant to Article 2, Section 3 of the club bylaws.

Motion to adjourn:

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 10:20am by John Lappie, K2WVU and 2nd by Kyle Caissie, KO4HPP