

**BLACK RIVER AMATEUR RADIO CLUB**  
**MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES**  
**May 14, 2011**

**Call to Order** – Ryan Alderman, KD8GLE called the club meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. at the Bangor Community Education Building. Nine members were in attendance. Everyone present signed a roll sheet and a quorum was established.

**Secretary's Report** –

- The April meeting minutes were distributed. Bob Swicker, KC8NLP moved that the minutes be approved as presented.
- Second by Mike Greis, KD8GTX. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report** – John Utter, KC8OFT

- The amount of \$698.74 is in the checking account.
- John Reported that the cost of Liability Insurance which is due in July was \$188.00 last year and the cost of insurance for the trailers was \$452.83 which is due in November. (Total= \$648.83)
- Motion by Bob Swicker, KC8NLP to accept the report. Seconded by John Helm, WA8PRJ. Motion Carried.

**Equipment Report** – John Helm, WA8PRJ

- The 440 repeater is has recently had some periods of not working.
- Tom Hasselberger, KD8DMB and John, WA8PRJ did a major cleaning of EmComm 2 during the recent Trailblazer Bike Event.
- Nick Rouse, KD8JBG reported that there are two stations left to be wired in the EmComm One trailer and the computer hub must be installed. No additional work bees are scheduled at this time.

**ARES/RACES/SKYWARN** –

- No meeting was held this morning because Al Svilpe was out of town.
- No Report available as Paul Reissmann, WD8WMT, was not in attendance.
- The next meeting will be Saturday June 11 at the County EOC.
- RACES ID Cards were distributed to several members

**Old Business**

- The pursuit of ARRL Club Affiliation will be investigated by Ed, KI8Z and information will be presented at the next meeting.
  
- Field Day was discussed. The trailers will be delivered to the Village Park in Lawrence on Friday, June 24 with set-up for operations starting Saturday Morning, several members plan to meet for breakfast at the Waffle House prior to set-up.

- Nick, KD8JBG passed around a Press Release he has prepared and a draft of a letter to be sent to public officials inviting them to the event. Several members provided suggestions and comments.
- Ed, KI8Z reported that the Trailblazers Bike Event had gone smoothly and thanked those who were able to participate.

### **New Business**

- Nick, KD8JBG reported that a group from the Michiganders Bike Tour has contacted him regarding the possibility of providing communication support of their event on the Kal Haven trail Scheduled for July 16 and 17. There was some interest from members to participate, Nick is to get more details for the next meeting.
- Ron Taylor, KB8QXI distributed safety information for the Adopt-A-Highway trash pick-up program, The next pick-up was scheduled for July 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM at the Port of Call Trailer Park on M-43.
- Mike, KD8GTX reported that the Bus Trip to the Dayton Hamvention on May 21<sup>st</sup> has enough participants to go ahead. The Bus will leave from Kalamazoo at 3:45 AM. Those who have signed up should be receiving a confirmation via email soon.

### **Adjournment**

- Motion to adjourn by Bob, KC8NLP to adjourn, Second by Ron, KB8QXI motioned carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.
- Nick, KD8JBG demonstrated a logging program for contesting following the meeting,

### **Present**

John Utter - KC8OFT  
 John Helm - WA8PRJ  
 Steve Foster - KD8IRV  
 Bob Swicker, KC8NLP  
 Ed Alderman – KI8Z  
 Ryan Alderman – KD8GLE  
 Nick Roush - KD8JBG  
 Ron Taylor, KB8QXI  
 Mike Greis, KD8GTX

Submitted by Ed Alderman – KI8Z – Secretary