

BLACK RIVER AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
September 10, 2011

Call to Order – Ed Alderman, KI8Z called the club meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. at the Bangor Community Education Building. 7 members were in attendance. Everyone present signed a roll sheet and a quorum was established.

Secretary's Report –

- The August meeting minutes were distributed. Paul Reissmann, WD8MWT, moved that the minutes be approved as published and distributed. Second by Mike Greis, KD8GTX. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – Was not available

Equipment Report – John Helm, WA8PRJ

- John reported that there are no current equipment problems that he is aware of. A recent IRLP problem was found to be an Internet problem and has been resolved.
- Ed reported that Ryan, KD8GLE and Nick, KD8JBG had planned to work on the 440 repeater today.
- John stated that the generator Van Buren County has offered to donate has yet to be secured. He is working with Scott Garvison, KA8JNO to arrange for pick-up when available. Ed, KI8Z reported that Al Svilpe had said that Scott needs to contact Brian Stump to arrange pick-up.

ARES/RACES/SKYWARN –Paul Reissmann, WD8MWT

- Paul reported that 6 RACES members attended the meeting that was held this morning at the Van Buren County EOC.
- Paul reminded members that the NIMS 700 series FEMA internet lessons are to be completed by September 30th. It appears that 701, 704, 705 and 706 at least need to be completed.
- Paul has contacted the Red Cross Office in Hartford and has picked up the two meter transceiver and made arrangements to take down the antenna that is located there. The office is scheduled to be closed this fall and will be manned by volunteers and directed by the Grand Rapids office.
- Van Buren County will not be participating in the SET this year.
- The next Palisades Drill is scheduled for October 2012. The exercise area will be extended from the current 10 miles to 12.5 miles.
- Al Svilpe again requested that an estimate for repainting Ecomm I be provided to him.
- The next RACES Meeting will be held at 9:00 AM on October 8, 2011 in the EOC at the Sherriff's Department in PawPaw. All members are encouraged to attend if possible as required annual Radiation Emergency training will be presented at that meeting.

Old Business.

- Steve Foster, KD8IRV reported that all is arranged for the club to be participate in JOTA at Camp Roto-Kiwan on October 15th final details will be addressed at the October meeting.
- Paul, WD8MWT reported that the club will participate in the Vineyard Bicycle tour starting in Paw Paw at 8:00 AM on September 11. Ryan, KD8GLE took the trailer there today, Tom, WD8DMB will man the Decatur SAG Stop. Paul will man the Lawton SAG Stop. Ed be mobile on the route. Others will coordinate with Paul and Ryan for Assignments. This event is usually concluded by 3:00 PM. Anyone wishing to help should contact Paul.

New Business

- Paul offered to host a Club Picnic for the October meeting. The meeting will start at 6:00 PM on Saturday October 8th and members are asked to bring a dish to pass. If you have questions contact Paul, WD8MWT.

Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn by Paul, WD8MWT. Seconded by Steve, KD8IRV motioned carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.

Present

Steve Foster - KD8IRV
Ed Alderman – KI8Z
John Helm, WA8PRJ
Tom Hasselberger, WD8DMB
Cindy Alderman, N8GPG
Paul Reissmann, WD8MWT
Mike Greis, KD8GTX

Submitted by Ed Alderman – KI8Z – Secretary