

# BLACK RIVER AMATEUR RADIO CLUB MEETING MINUTES

**Call to Order** – Ryan Alderman KD8GLE

**Date:** 04/13/2024

**Time:** 7:00 PM

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**Meeting Location:** Bangor Fire Station

**Members Present:** 15 members and guests present

## Secretary's Report – Ed Alderman KI8Z

The March 2024 meeting minutes were emailed to members. There were no additions or corrections. Motion by Anthony, N8VOX to approve, Seconded by Wayne, N8UC. Motion carried.

## Treasurer's Report – Nick Roush KD8JBG (Via email)

Reported current balance of \$2,574 after expenses (P.O. Box fee) and income (Dues). IRS Forms have been filed.

Motion to approve: Dean, KE8TVR

Seconded by: Wayne, N8UC

Motion carried.

## Equipment Report – Scott Garvison K8JNO

- Reported that both repeaters were operating well
- Reported that the new Batteries have been installed in the trailer
- Plans to check on emergency power at the repeater site and the need for back up batteries. It was noted that the VHF repeater uses a 28 Volt power supply.
- Reported that a 220 MHZ repeater is available if the club would like to put it on the air. More info to follow.

## ARES/RACES/SKYWARN – Mike Greis KD8GTX

- Activity Report- 163 Exercise Hours, 30 Exercise and training sessions (1 Community Event and 1 Emergency)
- ARES Members 16

## Old Business

- The plans for Field Day were discussed. A committee was formed consisting of; Ryan, KD8GLE, Rudy, K8SWD, Dean, KE8TVR and Scott, K8JNO to develop operational plans for the event. More to discussed next month.
- Adopt-A-Highway Program  
Trash pick-up was done this morning with 4 participants picking up 14 bags of trash.
- Vincent, KE8TEM presented additional information about the third annual Mattawan Memorial Day Car Show. He requested that those able to volunteer sign up with him and he passed around a signup sheet. See March minutes for contact info.
- It was decided meet at the Communication Trailer Storage facility to

organize, clean and possibly participate in the Michigan QSO Party MIQP at the county property on CR 681 near Hartford. at 9:00 AM on April 20th with operation on the air to follow. **(PLEASE NOTE THIS HAS BEEN CANCELLED AS OF 4/17/24)**

- Frank, AD8BU still plans to operate as a EOC Station for MIQP from the Pokagon EOC in Dowagiac would appreciate help there as well. He will be setting up in the morning to be on the air from noon to midnight.

### **New Business**

- The role and duties of the Treasurer were discussed briefly. No decisions or changes were proposed.
- The next meeting will be held Saturday May 11 at 7:00AM at the Fire Station in Bangor, MI.

**Meeting Adjourned:** At 8:45 PM.