



Polk County Amateur
Radio Association
1732 Forest Circle
Balsam Lake, WI 54810

April 10, 2010 Meeting Minutes

OPEN

Rick W9WS - opened the regular business meeting.

TREASURERS REPORT-

Carlos N9GIM – reported our Checkbook balance, and reported disbursements for recent services.

OLD BUSINESS

FIELD DAY DISCUSSION-DAN KB9OBF

No changes mentioned- Dan has contacted Kathy P Re: mobile unit use. Dan will compile a resource list of equipment and people.

Please email or call Dan with any ideas for FD and any changes or decisions will be discussed at meetings with club members present.

CLEARVIEW MAP REVISIONS- MARK KC9PJJ via RICK W9WS-

Mark (not present) asked club via Rick if there were any revisions for map. None were mentioned.

NEW BUSINESS

SKYWARN COORDINATOR- CHRIS KC9NVV-

Chris handed out a Polk Skywarn SOP for review. Document will be posted on club website for further review and revisions.

Chris also mentioned an NWS test on Thurs. Apr. 22. Sirens will sound in Polk County at 1:40-1:45 PM that day. Chris will conduct a short net on our repeater at that time.

N9XH PACKET STATION --MARK KC9GHQ

Mark updated club on status of N9XH packet station at tower.

KC9GHQ-10 RMS STATION- MARK KC9GHQ--

Discussion regarding change of frequency from 145.610 back to 145.010 for non-emergency use following Centurytel internet outage. Stations were unable to use Marks RMS while on the 610 freq. Decision was made to switch back to 145.010 to allow local stations to access KC9GHQ-10 RMS with existing packet network.

Station will remain on 145.010 with ability to change freqs if needed for emergency use.

Other local RMS stations will be advised during an emergency by voice or other means if move to other freq is needed. Ad hoc digi capability will be set up if needed.

ARES/RACES- FRED AB9LV-

Discussion regarding recent twice yearly call up drill by Kathy P (Polk Co EM) and how we could best get activation info out to A/R members. Fred will explore "Onecall.com" and other ideas.

VE TESTING- RICK W9WS--

Discussion regarding another General testing session. Rick and Greg N9CHA will coordinate and will shoot for end of May test.

MONDAY NET UPDATE-MIKE KC9JIK -

Mike reported that Josh KC9QXN has been recruited as another NCS and that he will assist Mike with logging responsibilities.

CLOSE

Rick W9WS adjourned the meeting.

After meeting -Greg N9CHA, Fred AB9LV and Rick W9WS and others went to radio shack and discussed how to best use equipment resources we have there in order to operate multiple modes and freqs most efficiently.

MARK KC9GHQ,SECRETARY