

WOOD COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS INC

May 5, 1992

Meeting called to order by Ken Harris, WA8LLM/UNIT 251, and Duane Jones, N8LDM/UNIT 260. There were ?? members present.

Minutes from the April 7th meeting were read and approved.

The Treasure's report was read and approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Still haven't hear anything from the Department of Highways about the 4th July Safety Break.

A letter requesting the Rest Area for a Labor Day Safety Break has been hand delivered to the Department of Highways. Just have to wait and see if we get it.

There was a reminder of the Hamfests this month. Athens May 10th, Wheeling May 17th, and Jackson County May 31st.

There was a reminder about the State Convention at Jackson Mill on July 4th and 5th.

There was a report on the severe thunder storm that happened April 10th. Those checking into the Amateur Radio Skywarn net were: Ken Unit 251, Alan Unit 274, Aaron Unit 276, Leo Unit 259, and Bill Unit 283.

Amy Tuell of the March of Dimes wants to thank group that helped with the Walk America on April 28th. Those helping with communications for the walk were: Phil Unit 275, Ivan Unit 263, Keith Unit 257, Dick Unit 264, Bill Unit 283, Karen Unit 261, Duane Unit 260, Aaron Unit 276, Alan Unit 274, Leo Unit 259, Ken Unit 251, Judy Unit 255, and Dot Unit 268.

There was a reminder of the Parkersburg Homecoming BINGO August 14th 15th and 16th.

There was a reminder of the Half Marathon and Homecoming Parade Line-up on August 15th.

There was a reminder about the Vienna Freedom Festival on June 26.

Ken Unit 251 said the batteries that supply back-up power for the county fire repeater system have been changed out.

There was a reminder of the W5YI Amateur Radio testing at the EOC on May 9th.

Ken Unit 251 gave a report on the Brundage Schoolboy shell races that were held April 18th. The regatta committee wants to thank all of those who helped, Ken didn't have a complete list available.

There was a reminder of the bed races in downtown Parkersburg June 6th.

Ken Unit 251 gave an update on the state wide emergency Packet Radio network, DAREN.

NEW BUSINESS

Duane Unit 260 thought it would be a good idea if we could get some support with the 147.255 Mhz repeater. There are several users of the repeater that are not members of the organization, and don't help with any of our activities. It would be nice to have a little extra money to help maintain some of our equipment. He introduced an idea of having those who just want to help support us and not have to attend any meeting. They can donate to SAFEC, Support Alliance For Emergency Communications. Those donating at least 12 dollars to SAFEC would be receive a membership certificate and the monthly RACES Newsletter.

Duane reported that the American Red Cross in Parkersburg is planning to start holding Red Cross classes. No dates have been set as of yet.

Ken Unit 251 said the Jackson County Amateur Radio Club is selling a "Callbook on a Disk". It is a fund raiser for the club. The disk will have all of the Amateur Radio operators in West Virginia it.

Aaron Unit 276 said there will be a Severe Storms Workshop held on July 23rd in Jackson County. The workshop will be held at the Senior Center in Ripley at 7:30 pm.

Leo Unit 259 said there will be a Mountain Classic 10K road run on June ??????????????????. The run committee wants us to provide them with safety communications for the run. He needs names as soon as possible.

Field Day activities were introduced. I was decided that we would operate Field with the Parkersburg Amateur Radio Club June 27th and 28th.

The Wood County Fire Fighters Association meeting will be May 11th at PMBS fire station.

THOSE IN ATTENDANCE