

WOOD COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS INC

July 11, 2000

Meeting called to order at 7:03 PM by Ken Harris, WA8LLM/Unit 251 President. There were 12 members present.

Minutes from the June 6th meeting were read and approved.

The Treasure's report was read and approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Ken, WA8LLM gave a report on the new 147.255 mHz repeater. The new batteries and copper pipe conductor at the Sand Hill tower site didn't do away with all of the flutter on the old repeater, so the problem will have to be fixed before the new repeater is put into operation. A large gauge of cable needs to be installed between the batteries and the bus bar distribution strips.

Since Sam, N8SVX was at school again this month there was no report on the Business and GMRS Radio licenses. Sam said that he would miss a couple of business meetings.

Harold, KC8JHG brought up for discussion about a service station that has been closed down in Lubeck, near Ray, N8TWV's house. Ken, WA8LLM said the next time he is in that area he will try to find out who is selling the building. A couple other high rent locations were also discussed, but nothing would be done with them. Lloyds Electronics owns the building at Rt 2 and I-77. He has been called several time by different organizations, but there has been no contact made with them.

Ken, WA8LLM told about a couple of ways that Joe, N8MEV plans on getting Mobilcom-1 painted. Joe would like to get it down to Easy Rider, but he also has a friend that is closing down a business and might be able to get his garage. Joe will be busy for the next three Saturdays and won't be able to do anything until after that.

Ken, WA8LLM said that Jimmy still doesn't have the clock faces done, so it doesn't look like the clocks will not be done for the Half Marathon, but we will keep it in the minutes so that it doesn't get forgotten.

The Six Meter Radios made it here in time for Field Day. Ryan, KC8IOG made several contacts with the one that he purchased. Ken, KB8QPW said

he and Ryan did fire up the one that belongs to the organization.

There was a short discussion about copies of everyone's licenses.

There are a few new upgraded licenses that still need to be put on file in personal records.

There is still no report on the remote receiver site at the Beverly Power Station since Sam, N8SVX wasn't able to make the meeting due to attending a collage class.

The new power supply for Sand Hill tower site hasn't been delivered yet, so we won't have to pay for it. The thirty amp power supply will just have to do until the new 75 amp one arrives.

Ken, gave a report on Triathlon that was held. There was some changes and the course was a lot longer. If the course it the same next year we need to get additional people to monitor the six miles of dead space on the Little Kanawha River. We might be able to put radio operators on each of the bridges that cross the river. Or we may be able to get Fire Departments to put boats on the river.

Ken, WA8LLM gave a Field Day report. Ken said that he would like to have had more operators to help on the radios. Due to a couple other activities a couple operators weren't able to make it.

Ken, WA8LLM gave a report on the River Sweep. He feels that it is going down the tubes. At his location there was only 5 people, three of which were officials.

There was Independence Day Safety Break reports by all that worked the break and were at the meeting.

There was a short discussion about the tower site at Rockport. Nothing has been resolved yet.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Harold, KC8JHG said that code classes were going to be started on October 15th in Jackson County at WVUP at Ripley.

Ken, WA8LLM gave a report on computers and monitors from Camden Clark Memorial Hospital. There was 20 or 21 monitors and computers. Some of the equipment has been tested and is good. The computers don't have

any Hard Drives.

Ken, WA8LLM said he was contacted by the Wood County Fair Board about running BINGO at the West Virginia Interstate Fair. We had to get a BINGO License at short notice. The West Virginia Tax Department said that we could have our license by the first day of the fair. A short discussion followed. It was decided not to use BINGO chips, we will use corn instead. Judy, N8UFQ and Sam, N8SVX went to the BINGO seminar at Moundsville during Field Day.

Ken, WA8LLM said he got headsets for the yellow FRS radios, but Don, N8NUS asked if he was going to be able to take the yellow radios to Diabetic camp the week after the fair. He would be leaving for camp on Friday evening of the fair, so we may have to use the 49 mHz radios for one day of the fair. A lengthy discussion followed.

Bob, KB8RNE gave report on the Red Cross classes and the tapes on the "Introduction To Disaster Services". Bob suggested that everyone should take the EOC Class that Red Cross offers. He also suggested that everyone working with the Red Cross should have Basic First Aid and CPR. He also explained why there was a registration fee. Bob said that Jennifer at the Red Cross was going to get Bob a new list of shelters.

Ken, WA8LLM said that Craft 2000 wants to use our 24 by 40 foot canopies at an activity for a fund raiser for Easter Seals on August 5th.

It was suggested that the August meeting be a Picnic/Business Meeting. This will be a covered dish dinner. Ken, KB8QPW would be in charge of getting the location for the picnic. It will either be at the City Park or at the park on Quincy Hill. Everyone will be informed before the next meeting. A discussion followed.

#### THOSE IN ATTENDANCE

Ken Harris WA8LLM/Unit 251, Judy Peterson N8UFQ/Unit 255, Ken Riffle KB8QPW/Unit 268, Al Harris N8UBG/Unit 1125, Bob Smith KB8RNE/Unit 264, Anna Hendershot, KC8JWW/Unit 262, Don Williams N8NUS/Unit 1111, Harold Dooley KC8JHG/Unit 266, Tim Dooley KC8JHE/Unit 273, Cathy Harris KC8DJJ/Unit 257, Mike Lott KC8JWR/Unit 267, Kevin Harris KC8OXY/Unit

