

WOOD COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS INC

August 2, 2005

After the annual picnic, a short meeting was held. The meeting was called to order at about 7:30 pm by Ken Harris, WA8LLM/Unit 251 President. There were 44 members and guests present and enjoyed the picnic.

Minutes from the July 5, 2005, meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Ken, WA8LLM, gave a report on the 147.255 repeater system. Ken said that he and Dot, KC8HAI, made a trip to the Rockport tower site to see if they could fix that Remote Receiver. It was a minor problem, the Red & Black Polarized plug from the radio to the battery wasn't making a good connection. Rockport is back on the air. Ken, KB8QPW, went to the Williamstown tower site to check on the Remote Receiver there. It seemed to be having a problem on one of the net nights. There was no problem with the Remote Receiver, it must have been just band conditions causing the receiver to sound like it was down. He did suggest that we leave a microphone and instruction manual at the site the next time a trip needs to be made there.

Report on trailer to replace MOBILECOM-1 was held off till later.

A report on Field Day was explained, and a copy of the final Field Day Report was passed around for all to look at.

There was a reminder that the Medical Information Forms needs to be filled out so that we can get it in the back of the new ID Cards which will be made up in November or December.

A date has not yet been set for an Amateur Radio class for the Civil Air Patrol. Don, N8NUS, said there is still an interest in the class.

Ken, WA8LLM, said that Larry, KC8YMQ, sent him an E-Mail address where a Grant Application could be acquired. Ken has the application, and will try to get it filled out and sent in by the September 1st deadline. Ken said that he would like to request enough money to put together just six or seven Remote Receivers, no antennas or coax. Ken

said the Pleasants County OES Director said that we still have permission to install the Remote Receiver at St. Marys. Denise, KC8TUF, says she also has a grant application that needs to be sent in, she just needs a copy of our budget. Ray, KC8RUJ, reminded Ken about the letter to Dupont. Don, N8NUS, said not to be discouraged if you get turned down the first or second time, just keep applying.

Ken, WA8LLM, said that he hadn't heard back from Joe, N8MEV, about the rain jackets. He will get a hold of Joe before the next meeting. Ken said that he had heard that Joe's health wasn't too good.

Ken, gave a short report on the West Virginia Interstate Fair and Exposition. He said the fair was down from last year.

There was a reminder about the Parkersburg Homecoming BINGO, August 19th, 20th, and 21st.

There was a reminder about the Volcano Days BINGO, September 23rd, 24th, and 25th.

There was a reminder about the Parkersburg Half Marathon on August 20th. Ken, WA8LLM, said that he would try to get with everybody that helped last year, and try to put them at the same locations.

There was a reminder that the NIMS Training can be taken on the Internet. Ken, WA8LLM, said that he will talk to Roger Bibbee about getting a class set up. The class should only take a couple or three hours. There are several sections in NIMS. Ken will try to find out which section or sections will be need to be taken.

There was a reminder that W5YI Testing would be coming up August 13th at 6:00 pm at the E-911 Center.

Also the Lubeck Volunteer Fire Department Ice Cream Social would be August 13th.

There was a short discussion about having a Show-N-Tell, to show the public Amateur Radio. It was suggested about having it at the Parkersburg City Park. Ken, WA8LLM, said he would talk to the Parkersburg Amateur Radio Klub President to see if they are going to do anything.

Denise, KC8TUF, says she still has license plates, if anyone wants to buy one, to get with her.

NEW BUSINESS

Ken, WA8LLM, said the West Virginia Tax Department send a letter that told where the next BINGO Seminars would be held. Ken said that he and Dot, KC8HAI, would make a trip to the Clarksburg location, the Monday after the Parkersburg Homecoming.

Don, N8NUS, said there would be a Radiological Monitoring Class which will be held on Saturday, September 24th, if anyone is interested. That is the same day as the Volcano Days BINGO. The class will be held at the Civil Air Building at the Wood County Airport.

Bob, KB8RNE, was wanting to know what side of the river he had to be on to get the Half Marathon package.

Bob, KB8RNE, wanted the group to give Ken, KB8QPW, and Dot, KC8HAI, a big thank you for doing the cooking at the Picnic.

Ken, WA8LLM, announced that Al Harris, N8UBG, passed away while we were holding our last month's meeting. Since we didn't find out about it until after the funeral, Anna, KC8JWW, suggested that we send \$25 to whatever organization was announced in the obituary.

Ken, WA8LLM, made an announcement that Cathy, KC8DJJ, gave birth to her first daughter, who's name is Kymber Jade.

A copy of the new WCEC ID Card was passed around so that everyone could see what it is going to look like. Don't forget the medical information.

Rick, KC8VLM, won the \$13.50 at the 50/50 drawing.

THOSE IN ATTENDANCE

Ken Harris WA8LLM/Unit 251, Dot Harris KC8HAI/Unit 258, Ken Riffle KB8QPW/Unit 268, Pam Riffle KC8NLD/Unit 272, Rick Greene KC8VLM/Unit 265, Jennifer Greene KC8UYB/Unit 264, Ryan Riser Unit 299A, Kyle Riser Unit 299B, Anna Hendershot, KC8JWW/Unit 263, Judy Peterson N8UFQ/Unit 255, Kendale Peterson Unit 299E, Jim Peterson, Jeff Scott KC8EEQ/Unit 282, Jeanna Dooley, N8JMD/Unit 269, Harold Dooley, N8KO/Unit 266, Tim Dooley, N8WO/Unit 273, Brent Rice, Bob Smith KB8RNE/Unit 267, Mary

Smith Unit 299F, Dave Wright KC8ZZX/Unit 285, Juanita Wright, Ray Bodie N8TWV/Unit 278, Emily Bodie KB8YPB/Unit 288, Sam Mercer N8SVX/Unit 256, Carol Johnson KC8TUD/Unit 293, Terry Mills KC8TUE/Unit 289, Denise Magyarosi-Mills KC8TUF/Unit 290, Krista Mills KC8VLJ/Unit 295, Don Williams N8NUS/Unit 1111, Debbie Williams N8VOW, Mark Stull KC8ZON/Unit 298, Daniel Ritchie KC8ZLK/Unit 296, Steve Ritchie, KB8CCQ, Duane Jones N8LDM/Unit 260/ES-2, Scott Jones Unit 299C, Cathy Wotring KC8DJJ/Unit 257, Larry Wotring KC8TRQ/Unit 261, Colt Wotring Unit 299G, Kymber Wotring Unit 299I, Lisa Hendershot KB8UER/Unit 270, Ray Johnson KC8RUJ/Unit 292