

Anoka County Amateur Radio Club

Board Meeting February 21, 2006

Members Present:

Chrissy Neu KCØOKE
Dave Runkle KCØKEP

Pete Alcock KBØKHZ
Shawn Rung KØSMR

Tim Neu KCØLQL
Dan Peitso NØPIY

Members Absent:

None

Guests present:

Dave Holter KCØHJA
Paul Bushouse NØTYE

Lorri Rung KØLLR
Beth Neu KCØTUT

Stacia Runkle KØPWD

Called to order by President at 7:03 PM.

Treasurer's Report:

Current balance as of 2/21/06: \$2364.26 Accepted and approved.

Secretary's Report:

Accepted and approved.

VE Report:

Total Candidates: 2

Technician – 2 Candidates, 1 License Granted

Membership Committee:

Stacia Runkle: As of the last general meeting we have 53 members.

Repeater Status:

- **2 Meter Repeater:**

Dave Runkle: The current status of our repeaters is up on the website and is being updated biweekly. The repeater is up and running, but operating with significantly less transmit power and with the Fridley Receive Site offline. The Paul Parkway and Centerville Receive Sites are currently online. No clue as to what is truly causing the packet-like interference, but whatever is causing it appears to be transmitting directly on our input frequency. Attempting to locate the interference. (Dave Holter observed S5 to S9 levels in open carrier at the Fridley site.) We will be changing the transmit and receive radios to commercial grade (Motorola). We are currently borrowing a duplexer from the Gopher Amateur Radio Club so we can repair the transmit cavity on ours. The plan is to turn off the Paul Parkway Receive Site and have only one Receive site at Centerville, then put in the new Transmit radio and implement a 114.8 PL tone to limit the packet-like interference for now. We will go back to full power when the duplexer is reinstalled. The Paul Parkway site has been updated with new LMR400 Cables, a new battery and the lock has been changed.

- **220 Repeater:**

Dave Runkle: This repeater is working just fine.

Website / Web Updates:

Dave Runkle is currently the "webmaster".

Event Reports:

- **Christmas Party 2006:**

Will be Saturday, December 2, 2006 at 5:00 PM in the upstairs room at the American Legion in Coon Rapids. \$50.00 deposit has been made.

- **My City:**
 - **Blaine:**

Dave Runkle: Amplifier Project for Fire Trucks. Possible project for Kit Builders?
Dan Peitso: BB4 set for June 23,24,25. Fireworks, Parade and Maybe Tommy Cash?
Dave Runkle: SBM Fire was also interested in the amplifiers.
 - **Fridley:**

Nothing New
- **Exam Classes**

Jay and Al are going to do another Technician class. Calendar is on the web. It will be held at the Blaine City Hall. Starts Tuesday, February 28, and continuing on the Thursday and Saturday that week and the same nights/days the next week. Looks like it will be a full class!
- **Drills / Exercises**

Dan Peitso mentioned a few drills that are coming up.

Other Old Business:

None

New Business:

- **ARES Support Agreement:**

Dave Runkle is the new Anoka County Emergency Coordinator (ARES). In the next General Meeting, he will present a topic that is ARES related.

Dave Runkle discussed a proposal where the club would be able to work closer with ARRL and ARES. The proposal was:

“The Anoka County Radio Club recognizes the Anoka County ARES Program and will provide personnel whenever practical to support ARES activities AND ARES agrees to support the Anoka County Radio Club programs whenever practical.”

A motion was first brought by Tim Neu, seconded by Dan Peitso. The motion was voted upon by the board with Dave Runkle abstaining. The motion was Approved.

- **Field Day:**

Dave Holter: Same as last year. Held at Blaine City Hall. Help with coordinating the events would be very appreciated. Looking for volunteers.
- **Mutual Aid with Gopher Amateur Radio Club:**

A copy of the agreement will be emailed to all board members to review. All club members will be informed of the mutual aid request so they have a chance to discuss it. A vote on the topic will be made at the next board meeting.
- **New Board Member Activities:**

The club keys were given to the new President, Chrissy Neu. Shawn Rung, Chrissy Neu, Dave Holter and Paul Bushouse will get together to exchange the bank account information. Dave Runkle gave Chrissy Neu the Club Insurance information. The repeater call will stay in Dave Runkle's name for now.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held at Blaine City Hall. Dave Runkle will determine the best room for us to use for that purpose.

Adjourned 8:41 PM