

**Grand Rapids Amateur Radio
Association**

Board Meeting Minutes

August 1, 2018

The Board meeting of the Grand Rapids Amateur Radio Association was called to order at 6:45PM by President Tom Hansen N8DGD.

President's Report

Tom We did move the repeater over to Moline. Would like people to listen to the 147.260 MHz repeater and see how it's performing. The 440 side is only using a little magnetic antenna, mounted inside the building.

We will be having a guy speak about direction finding for turtles. It will be held before the general meeting starts.

Tom also has to get the MIARC data base updated to account for our move, and if it's ok with their policy.

VP Report: NR

Treasurer's Report

Hank: sent the report to Jim K8CAN. We had a beginning balance of \$4218.58

We had an ending balance of \$4178.58.

Hank will present his full report at the general meeting this coming Friday.

Motion to accept Thom, seconded by Phil. The motion passed.

On Air Director Report:

Greg KN4CK Not Present

Off Air Director Report:

Dustin: Turtle direction finding this Friday.

Tech. Director Report: The antenna on the Verizon tower is bad, will need somebody to check it out.

Member-At-Large Report:

Bob Went to the Hasting club and dropped off GRARA Swaps Flyers. He then said The LARC is going to raffled off a radio during our swap. Bob wanted to know who is going to announce the prizes at our swap. We decided to wait and see who is interested in making the announcements. Bob also said the school where we're going to hold our swap just had a book sale and the tables have all been fixed. We then discussed how much to spend on door prizes. We'll bring it up at the general meeting.

Red Cross Liaison Report:

Jim: The Red Cross is holding a Blood Drive. Jim said the Red Cross Appreciation dinner

was well attended. Joe Bell made a point of letting them know how important Red Cross and GRARA. Are, when they work together.

Digital Rep. Report: NR

VE Team Report 2 people took the test: One passed. (From Phil)

Additional Reports

Tom N8DGD is going to talk with LARC about how to get our live voice on the DVR. Tom also said Comcast has donated a spectrum analysis for our club.

Webmaster: We're running out of hard disc room: we're at 800+. Thom didn't want to purchase a larger disc room. He's going to remove the PDF. YouTube won't allow Thom to upload anymore videos. He may try later.

Old Business: We will discuss our swap at the next meeting. The September meeting will be held at the school. We will still be holding a Board Meeting. On the 5th of September.

New Business: Tom and Hank got signed on to the P.O. Box. Rich D. still has to sign off on it. Tom wanted to know if anybody had paint or stain for the Red Cross Buildings picnic table. Thom said the wood is good enough for years.

Rich made a motion to adjourn: Seconded by Justin the meeting ended at 7: PM
Respectively submitted
Rich K8JX Grara secretary.