

**Grand Rapids Amateur Radio
Association Meeting Minutes**

June 1, 2018

The meeting of the Grand Rapids Amateur Radio Association was held at the I.R.A. Road kill dinner. The meeting was called to order at 7:25pm by. President Tom Hansen N8DGD.

President's Report

Tom Greeted everybody and asked if everybody had signed the get well cards for Joyce Douglas and John streyle. Tom also wanted to know if we should buy a table for the IRA swap tomorrow, or go with Jack NY8D. We offered to go with Jack and give him \$10.00 for the space. We'll also put up the club banner.

VP Report: NR

Treasurer's Report

Hank: Our beginning balance was \$3888.38

We had a deposit of \$696.00 for Dayton

One expense \$50.00 Stephan for stamps and solar station

Our end balance is \$4654.63

Hank is waiting for one check to clear.

Philip AE8IN made a motion to accept: Seconded by Joe Bell WD8USA: it passed.

On Air Director Report:

Greg KN4CK : Greg discussed the plan he has worked out for Field Day 2018. We have 3 weeks before Field Day. It was suggested we have an organization meeting on June 13, 2018, at the Red Cross. To decide who will be there and what will be set up. We will need a different computer to log and network. We then had a general discussion on the different stations and locations.

One member is going to bring his RV so they can use it for SSB.

Off Air Director Report:

Dustin: NR

Tech. Director Report:

Steven we bought several items at Dayton: one was a Yaesu FT-7250 mobile radio.

Stephan thanked Thom KI8W for installing the radio and power supply.

The second item was a Comet CAA 500 Mark 2 Antenna Analyzer. Frequency range on the unit is 1.8 to 500 Mhz. Stephan donated a case to protect the unit.

Sometime after Field Day, we'll move the equipment over to the Moline site. We're doing double duty on the antenna: receive UHF transmit VHF.

Member-At-Large Report:

Bob wasn't present.

Red Cross Liaison Report:

Jim: Repeated the statistics from the smoke alarm installation program... 103,000 smoke alarms installed.

Digital Rep. Report: NR

VE Team Report NR.

Additional Reports Tom Bailer reported on the success of the Noon time round up net on the IRA repeater. We're averaging 20 checking's. Thanks for the support.

Hank shared that K8JH has donated 500 feet of flex coax. Belden 9913. We have opted to bring it up to the general membership.

Rich k8jx apologized to Tom N8DGD for making the Ham of the Year presentation. Rich was having problems with walking. He thanked Tom for stepping in.

Tom N8DGD thanked Hank for printing up flyers for tomorrows swap at the IRA.

June 14th, they will be videotaping an event. Contact Ron K8DMR RSVP.

Hank wanted to know who owned the sectional mast.

Webmaster: NR

Old Business: NOB

New Business: NNB

Hank made a motion to adjourn: The meeting ended at 8:00PM

Respectively submitted
Rich K8JX Grara secretary.