

Grand Rapids Amateur Radio Association

Meeting Minutes

March 3rd, 2017

The meeting of the Grand Rapids Amateur Radio Association was called to order at 7:01pm by President, Tom Hansen.

President's Report

Tom Hansen, N8DGD: Tom made a welcome message to all the new people who showed up. The Great Lakes Ham convention will take place in April . The clean up the roadside will start once again on April 18 or 20. Depending on the weather conditions. We will meet at 6:15PM. More detailed information is on the web-site.
We also will have a tower work party on April 20th.

VP Report

John Streyle W8QZ. Wanted to change the date for the tower work party. April 24th.

Secretary's Report: read the report. No corrections. Tom made motion to accept 2nd by Dustin. It was passed.

Treasurer's Report

Phil N W8IPN; we had a starting balance of \$5002.69. after payments, we had a forward balance of \$652.69. We are now with Pay-Pal.
Hank made motion to accept. 2nd by Rich K8JX. It passed.

W8DC Trustee Report:

Tom Hansen nothing to report

On Air Director Report: Hank N8XX made a presentation on using the Michigan State parks for Field Day. He had a detailed map of suggested areas where stations may be set up. Cedar Spring will be the staging area. FD and Parks on the air will work together. He explained how Cedar Springs does require a deposit for cleanup should we leave a mess of the area. The deposit is \$200.00 Hank made a motion to pay the despoit: Tom made a motion to accept, seconded by Frank. It passed

Off Air Director Report:Dustin has been busy with school work and asked if anybody had a topic they would like to see explained during a club meeting.

Tech. Director Report: Steve reported he has finally gotten better and over his pneumonia. He is going to start working on the repeater data link and also the controller.

Member-At-Large Report: No report

Red Cross Liaison Report: Jim reported that the Red Cross will be installing smoke detectors this spring. More information as it comes available.

Digital Rep. Report: nothing to report.

Web Master Report: Tom has made many changes and has added a favorite video section. The members only mailing list is now available, to paid members. Tom also wants the secretary to send him the January and February club meeting minutes.

VE Team Report: using the new system, we had 6 take the test and 5 passed. One passed all three exams. Next exam is next Friday.

Additional Reports Hank reported that the LARC will be holding their club meeting, next Saturday.

Old Business Bob Moss said to tell everybody hi from down south. Steve has some window Grara decals, about 11 left.

New Business Tom announced that GRARA is now running a Tuesday night club net, on the 146.760 repeater. Rich k8jx is net control. It starts at 7PM

Hank N8XX made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by everybody. The meeting ended at 7.49PM
Respectively submitted Rich K8JX

Attendance

Name	Call
Dustin	KD8PVZ
John B	AB8WT
Stephen	AC8QE

Phili N	W8IPN
Jim L	K8CAN
Rob S	KD8VHV
Greg S	KA4CK
Richard R	KE8DYG
Tom Benler	KB8TYJ
Sue Behler	KC8IFP
Tom Boshcher	K8TB
Michael S.	KB8KB
Jim H	K8IH
Ed N	N8UXN
Ken S	AC8OF
Bob K.	KE8DIP
Thom Durfee	KI8W
Robert S	KD8VFC
John S	W8QZ
Bob dutmer	KE8GBI
Rich D	KC8NKA
Richie Rich	w/Dustin
Tom Clark	AC8XC
Bob A	N8ZVX
Paul Rogers	WX8TOM
Hank G	N8XX