

Grand Rapids Amateur Radio Association

Executive Meeting Minutes

May 5, 2021

In attendance at the meeting: Chris, Jim, Steve, Greg, Tom, Ron and Rich.

The Executive Meeting of the Grand Rapids Amateur Radio Association was called to order at 7:05pm by President Jim Hessler K8JH. Due to covid-19 safety concerns, the meeting was held in the garage of the Life-EMS building. It was open to the public.

President's Report: Jim and Tom B. went through all the cabinets that were in the Radio Room. The majority of material was paid receipts for different items. There wasn't any QRM issues. Dave De Vos may know who has some of them. They also found a lot of QST issues. We decided we may let folks take them if they want to. Otherwise, we'll donate them to an area paper drive. We discussed keeping only the current 2 years' worth of QST. Jim also brought up where we would store any documents we save, or scan. We will have to wait till we know what our housing situation is like. Life-EMS will take possession of the building tomorrow, 5-6-2021. The contact person Jim has been dealing with, wishes to talk with him either tomorrow or Friday. Jim said the next club meeting, June, will be held at the Hudsonville Fair grounds, during the IRA Swap. We should offer our services to the new building owners. They will be re-fitting the building within the next 4 weeks. We then discussed who would have keys to the building, and would they have the ability to go to any rooms. Steve currently has keys for some areas. Steve also mentioned he would need a few tables and chairs for the swap.

Vice-President/Secretary: NR

Treasurer

. My Treasurer Report for April 2021

March's starting balance was \$ 6021.16

Income totaled \$ 159.27

Expenditures totaled \$ 120.00

March's ending balance is \$ 6060.43

- Income listed was all from membership renewals
- The only expenditure this month was the tower rent for the remote site

Respectfully,

Dave DeVos - KF8QL

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Dave also brought up the current situation with GVSU. They are still talking about us mounting an Antenna on one of their buildings. Dave also said there was a lot of little items that need to be addressed, like parking. Field Day is chaired by Tom H. The crew who will be working FD is Ron-Dave-Tom it was suggested we operate a CW station during FD and demonstrate how Ham Radio and GRARA, supports helping all people experience Amateur Radio.

Tom N8DGD also stated he had submitted Technical Data Sheets, for our three repeaters, to the MARRC. This is good for 2 years. Ron is thinking about creating a blog on the internet. More at the general meeting this Friday.

Chris, offered to help when it comes time to move materials from the building.. It was also announced that we will have a DX QSL Card checker at the swap. We need to install it on our flyer.

Due to the Virus, we should also check with the Michigan gov and see what the Mask wearing status is like.

We ended the meeting at 7:45PM

Respectively submitted,

Richie Ranta K8JX

Secretary