

Grand Rapids Amateur Radio Association

Business Meeting - Nov. 11, 2022

Meeting was called to order by President Greg N8HR at 7:02 PM. We began with attendee introductions.

President's Report - Greg N8HR

We have started doing Wednesday meetings at the radio room again. Radio station is not set up yet - for now these are mostly working sessions to get things up and running. Electrical is mostly done, and tower work is still pending. Tom N8DGD has volunteered to assist with the tower climbing.

Vice President's Report - KD8MEY

No report.

Secretary's Report - KD8DB

No report. Minutes have been provided by email.

Motion by Jack NY8D, seconded by Mike KB8KB. Minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report - Dave KF8QL

The GRARA Treasurer Report for October 2022:

- Our starting balance was this month was \$12,678.61
- Income totaled \$205.61 from memberships, and swap concession proceeds.
- Expenditures totaled \$4,236.09, which is the highest monthly outlay of funds in my memory, due to upgrades and repairs required for the club station coax runs due to vandalism.
- The general fund ending total balance is \$4,480.14
- The K8EIO directed fund balance is \$4,167.99
- Adding these two together, our **total balance is \$8,648.13**

Tom K8TB suggests using the K8EIO fund for radio room. No official vote taken yet.

Motion by Steven KD8MEY, second by Ron K8DMR. Treasurer's report approved.

Election Committee Report - Ron K8DMR

FINAL RESULTS

- President: Greg Stoike N8HR
- Vice President: Steven Haueisen KD8MEY
- Secretary: Dave Britten KD8DB
- Treasurer: Dave DeVos KF8QL
- Director at Large: Lisa Britten W8LSA

- Liaison Director: Jim Hessler K8JH
- Tech Director: Stephen Provost AC8QE
- On-Air Director: Chris Longcore KE8LQH
- Off-Air Director: Richard Ranta K8JX
- Permanent FCC Trustee: Tom Hansen N8DGD

Nominations are officially closed. Uncontested offices have been accepted by acclamation.

Election for Liaison Director goes to Jim Hessler K8JH. Joe Bell WD8USA will assist Jim with the Red Cross relationship.

Director-At-Large's Report - Lisa W8LSA

Lisa has taken the old 8mm video film to Mark's Photo, who is transferring the contents to a DVD and a flash drive. These are expected to be ready for pickup on Nov. 18 for viewing at the December meeting.

Tech Director's Report - Stephen AC8QE

The club has used most of the \$5,000 approved at the October meeting to order the needed radio room supplies.

Last month's VE session had one attendee who passed the technician and general exams.

Next week Friday will be the next VE session.

Stephen will be out for 6 weeks for foot surgery, and may need some additional assistance with the December VE session.

Trustee's Report - Tom N8DGD

No report.

Old Business

Road Cleanup - Several members participated in the road cleanup, and collected approximately 12 bags of garbage.

New Business

Doug and Grace participated in GRARA's Field Day setup by running the satellite station. They earned the second place award from AmSat for operating as W8DC.

Life EMS building - Stephen reached out regarding accessibility. The lift is now handicap-certified and suitable for passenger use. Stephen is also trying to get scheduled access to a large meeting room. The December meeting will **tentatively** be at Life EMS.

IEEE will have the EMC group in DeVos Hall July 31 - August 4. International Symposium on Electromagnetic Compatibility, Signal, and Power Integrity. Many of the attendees are amateur radio operators. GRARA has been asked do a radio-related demo setup at the event.

Kortland (sp?) KA5S has a bunch of equipment he wants to sell and has offered the club to manage the sale and keep a portion of the proceeds. Jim K8JH and Jack NY8D have expressed interest in helping with coordinating the sale.

Motion to adjourn by Tom KI8W. Seconded by W8QZ. Meeting adjourned at 7:51 PM. Minutes prepared by GRARA Secretary Dave Britten KD8DB.