

# Grand Rapids Amateur Radio Association

## **Business Meeting - Oct. 7, 2022**

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by President Greg Stoike N8HR. The meeting began with attendee introductions.

Show-and-tell will take place following tonight's meeting.

## President's Report - Greg N8HR

GRARA swap in September was a success overall. \$2633 tickets & tables - \$600 (starting cash) + \$151.87 concessions + \$236.00 equipment sales + \$1658 K8EIO sales = \$3478.87 gross revenue.

Radio room at the Life EMS building is now usable. The club will be meeting every Wednesday until future notice, and occasionally on other days when necessary.

## Vice President's Report - Steven KD8MEY

Steven has recommended paying \$800 for reserving the Home School building for next year. Motion was passed unanimously.

## Secretary's Report - Dave KD8DB

Brief recap of minutes and old business from August meeting.

## Treasurer's Report

The GRARA Treasurer Report for September 2022.

- Our starting balance was this month was \$11,030.90
- Income totaled \$3308.76 from memberships, swap proceeds and donations
- Expenditures totaled \$1414.06 for Swap Expenses, State of Michigan tax filing, Liability Insurance renewal, a ladder, & radio programming. Our Federal and State tax forms were submitted this month.
- The general fund ending total balance is \$8757.61
- The K8EIO directed fund balance is \$4167.99
- Adding these two together, our total balance is \$12,925.60

Motion to approve by Ron K8DMR, motion seconded by Steven KD8MEY. Motion passed.

## Liaison Director's Report - Joe WD8USA

Club needs a new MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) with Life EMS to establish boundaries and expectations for the relationship.

Tom K8TB has nominated Jim K8JH to write the MOU.

## Tech Director's Report - Stephen AC8QE

Last month's VE session at the swap meet had 17 tests taken, including one gentleman that passed all three exams. Testing will be at GVSU next week.

## Director-at-Large's Report - Lisa W8LSA

Lisa has a card for Jared N8CZ who has been on medical leave for a few weeks.

There are still some unclaimed t-shirts and patches that could be brought to the next meeting.

## Trustee's Report - Tom N8DGD

Repeater system is working well, but quiet. Turn on your radios!

## New Business

Elected-office nominations can be made any time before the November meeting. Send email to [ron\\_fredricks@comcast.net](mailto:ron_fredricks@comcast.net).

Current nominations:

- President: N8HR, KI8W
- VP: KD8MEY
- Secretary: KD8DB
- Treasurer: KF8QL
- Director-at-Large: W8LSA
- Liaison: WD8USA
- On-Air Director: KE8LQH
- Tech Director: AC8QE
- Off-Air Director: ?

Life EMS needs to use the classroom where our equipment is stored for training. Looking for volunteers to move things tomorrow morning.

We need to pay the gentleman that painted the radio room approximately \$1900, who will then write the club a check for the same amount as a donation. Motion: Steven KD8MEY, seconded Thom KI8W. Motion passed.

Antenna installation will resume tomorrow morning.

The club needs to purchase some equipment/supplies for the radio room.

- Replacement coax for antenna tower
- Replacement rotor cabling for antenna tower

- 6 in. PVC piping acting as feedline conduit into the building

Tom K8TB motions to authorize spending up to \$5000 for purchasing radio room supplies and work (coax replacement, PVC, grounding, etc.). Seconded by Joe WD8USA. Motion passed unanimously.

ARRL SET is tomorrow. Listen on 3932.

Holland Amateur Radio Club is doing a General-in-a-Day (Kinda). Second Saturday in November (11/12).

Motion to adjourn by Steven KD8MEY, seconded Thom KI8W. Minutes prepared by GRARA Secretary Dave Britten KD8DB.