

# Minutes for August 2017 Club Meeting

Lowell Amateur Radio Club Monthly Meeting – 08/17/17 Meeting Called to order: 7:07pm

Officers Present: 4

( x ) President & ( x ) Vice-President

( x ) Treasure, & ( ) Secretary

( x ) Tech Advisors

( ) Web Master & ( ) PIO

Number of Member present: 8 Number of Guests present: 1

Secretaries Report: ( x ) Read – ( ) Amended – ( x ) Approved

Treasures Report: ( x ) Read – ( ) Amended – ( x ) Approved

Vice President Report: Fair people continue to be excited. Have space if needed for HIAD. Tables and chairs are available with rental fee.

Technical Report: Spark in the Park is Saturday at homeschool building. There is a new version of Raspian out for the Raspberry Pi.

Web Master Report: Updates to website applied. Discussion was held about user friendliness and some changes / updates will be forth coming to highlight some key items.

Old Business:

- FROM contract is currently good until April 2018
- Additional discussion was held on tower rental at FROM
- Thanks to those who mowed the Morley site

New Business:

- WD8USA (Joe Bell) presented a desire to test and potentially install a packet station at FROM. He provided a TNC and radio. An antenna and coax will be needed and also depends on the future at FROM. A test will be conducted to see how it works by temporarily disabling the APRS digipeater.
- Discussion was held on the future at FROM and it was determined officers should approach and try to work out a compromise until the new fair grounds will be available.
- KCSAR – May wish to hold a VE test session this fall if October 14<sup>th</sup> doesn't work for their needs.

• Nominations were opened for officers: nomination was made to recommend all current officers remain, current officers accepted.

- It was noted that LARC is in need of a Secretary.
- Any member in good standing may be nominated before elections at the annual meeting.

Announcements:

- **Annual meeting will be held Saturday September 9<sup>th</sup>, at the GRARA Hamfest at 11:30AM. This meeting will include election of officers.**

Meeting adjourned 8:22pm: Minutes by treasurer KB8ZGL