

Minutes for April 2018 Club Meeting

Lowell Amateur Radio Club Monthly Meeting - 04/19/18
Meeting Called to order: 7:07PM

Officers Present: (x)President (x)Vice-President (x)Treasure (x)Secretary
(x)Tech Advisor (x) PIO ()Web Master

Number of Members present: 10 Number of Guests present: 4
Of the 20 Attendees 14 are ARRL members.

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

Treasures Report: (x) Read - () Amended - (x) Approved
Minutes and detailed financial report are available in club Dropbox

Vice President Report: Del (W8WDW) has decided to wait until the real spring or at least warmer, nicer weather has come to west Michigan before we schedule our MI SPOTA activation. Del also noted that Mike (KB8ZGL) is doing really well using FT8.

Technical Report: Josh (KE8CPD) has received all of the boxes for the attenuator kits and the kits are coming together. There are still some kits available. DMR code plugs have been built be he has not had time to put together programming tutorials.

Web Master Report: Nathan (N8THN) reported that the web site is running fine, there has been an increase in traffic. The new code plugs are available on the web site.

PIO Report: Jack (NY8D) reminded us of the following upcoming events:
GRARA/Red Cross Roadside pickup on April 24th, Tuneup in the park on April 28th,
May 5th is the Cadillac Hamfest, and June 2nd is the IRA Hamfest.

Old Business:

- See Nathan (N8THN) or Josh (KE8CPD) if you are still interested in an attenuator kit, we do still have some available.
- There was a brief discussion about a 2nd computer for the club shack, if anyone has a reasonably current machine they would like to donate please contact Nathan (N8THN)
- There was a discussion about the new procedures for exiting FROM. We need to make sure we turn off the lights, adjust the thermostat, make sure the windows and doors are closed. Nathan (N8THN) has some instructions
- KE8IPG made a donation to the club and Mike talked about the Diamond club.
- There was a brief discussion about the Michigan QSO party on April 21
- A motion was made and passed to spend \$250 to purchase the other half of the RemoteRig to complete the hookup of our radios at the FROM tower.
- There was a discussion about our Field Day location, Creekside Park was discussed as an alternate to last years location at Stoney Lakeside Park, it

was decided that either would be fine but before moving someone would need to check for RFI at Creekside.

- A motion was made and passed that we authorize \$100+ for the site fee for our Field Day site.

New Business:

- Nathan (N8THN) is working on putting together some Tape Measure Yagi kits using some 3D printed parts he has started working on. It would be helpful if we could get some tape measures donated.
- The River Bank Run is still looking for volunteers to help with communications
- The club has received a Fusion Repeater from an anonymous donor. To use it we would need a combiner. There was some discussion about what Fusion is and whether the club was interested in pursuing the installation of this device. We have applied to MARC for a frequency pair for this. A motion was made and passed to continue to explore this.

Meeting adjourned 7:51pm: Minutes by Secretary Tad K8TCS



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Monthly Meeting Sign-in Sheet 4/19/18

Name	Call Sign	LARC Member	ARRL Member
1. JIM SMEDER	K8TCS	X	X
2. CORTLAND RICHMOND	K8ASS		✓
3. Kevin McCarthy	K8FAL	X	X
4. Hercules Andrus	KEBDGF	X	
5. JACK AMBLAR	NY8D	✓	✓
6. Lynne Snyder	K8BCWP	✓	✓
7. Stephen Provost	ACBGE	✓	✓
8. Mike English	KE8JLN		
9. Darrell Cass	KE8TJ	✓	✓
10. PAUL JACKSON	W8OPD	✓	
11. Kreigh Tomaszewski	KE8EAL	✓	✓
12. Philip Norderstranci	A8BIN	✓	LIFE
13. Mike Wolthers	K8BZGL	✓	LIFE
14. Josh Mancini	W8THU	✓	✓
15. Josh Mancini	KE8CPD	✓	
16. Del Rockwell	W8WDW	✓	✓
17. ROBERT GROCIT	KE8GYH		
18. AJ Warner	EW8T		
19. Frank MacLachlan	KD80HS	✓	✓
20. Jim Jandrowicz	A8BJR	✓	✓
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