



Newark Amateur Radio Association NARA



Business Meeting Minutes September 17, 2022

- ❖ **Call to Order:** The meeting was held at the Newark Red Cross and a Zoom session was hosted by Ken K8DQ. The meeting was called to order by Ron WE8V at 6:04pm. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, members and guests introduced themselves to the group. A total of Fourteen (14) members and guests attended the meeting in person or online.

- ❖ **Attendance**

Ron WE8V	Ken K8DQ	Jeff N8ADX	Jeff KC8OQI
Fritz WD8E	Earl W8BR	Dwight W8TJT	Mike KD8DZ
Steve N8WL	Connie WD8ODC	Mike WD8JLP	Matthew KD8GTP
Bret KD8SCL	Dick W8RLL		

- ❖ **Reading of Minutes of the Last Meeting:** By Ken K8DQ. Prior to the meeting, the minutes of the August 2022 NARA business meeting had been posted on the NARA Website and electronically distributed to the members. The members present were queried for any corrections. Bret KD8SCL noted a correction to the motion to adjourn. The minutes indicated "Mike WD8JOP" and should have read "Mike WD8JLP." A motion was made by Dwight W8TJT and seconded by Jeff KC8OQI, to approve the minutes as corrected. Following a vote, the motion passed.
- ❖ **Treasurer's Report:** The club treasurer, Beau KD8FVV was unable to attend the meeting. The report was provided to and presented by Ken K8DQ. An accounting of the current bank account balances, income and expenses was provided. A motion to approve the report was made by Bret KD8SCL and seconded by Mike WD8JLP. Following a vote, the report was accepted.

❖ **President's Report:** Ron WE8V

Ron WE8V attended the ARRL Grant Webinar and learned that the remaining grant funds can only be used for Training & Advancement of Amateur Radio. Accordingly, these funds cannot be used for infrastructure projects and will not be available for the antenna project.

Ron WE8V has not sent solicitations for donations, pending the outcome of ARRL grant consideration. He will not commence the campaign for donations.

❖ **Vice President's Report:** Dwight W8TJT

The school's graphics department is currently undergoing maintenance and no equipment is available to produce the new club t-shirts. The school should be able to receive orders in Spring 2023.

Ron WE8V has the spreadsheet with current t-shirt requests (approximately 12) and will continue to track demand until the order can be submitted later.

❖ **Committee Reports:**

- Membership & Attendance Committee: Ken K8DQ
As of September 16, 2022 there are 66 paid members, and 1 life member for a total of 67 active club memberships.
- Repeater Management Committee: Ron WE8V reported that Tom WB8YOK is out of the county but has ordered the new 2-meter antenna. After discounts, the price was ~\$750 with an additional ~\$300 shipping. Once received, Tom WB8YOK will assemble and test the antenna at his QTH then transport it to Horn's Hill for installation. Tom WB8YOK is also seeking an estimate of the installation costs.

The repeater committee is still considering alternate tower sites for the club repeaters.

- Education / Program Committee:

Upcoming Programs: Ken K8DQ

- September – Ken K8DQ – FCC RF Exposure Regulations
- October – Ron WE8V – Findlay Hamfest 2022 Synopsis

- ARES / Emergency Management Committee: Bret KD8SCL

The Fox Hunt planned for October 1st coincides with the S.E.T. Alan N8CJ is coordinating with Earl W8BR to facilitate both events occurring on October 1.

Thank you to all amateurs for their support during the Salute to Service.

Alan N8CJ will be activating Malabar Farm Park and Mohican State Park this Wednesday & Thursday (September 21-22). Look for him on the air.

CERT: Mike WD8JLP

Thank you to all CERT volunteers for their support during the Salute to Service. CERT managed parking for the event.

Troy Love (Silverback Safety) provided active shooter training to the local CERT group.

Matthew KD8GTP reported that the CERT/ARES trailer has been upgraded with new interior lights and batteries, as well as other interior updates. Additional exterior updates are planned for a future date.

Social & Reception Committee:

No Report

History & Archives Committee:

Fritz WD8E provided several historical photographs of a circa 1985 NARA event. Earl W8BR has electronic copies of the photos and will post them to the club photo gallery on the website.

❖ **Old Business:**

No old business

❖ **New Business:**

Earl W8BR provided a functional outline of the fox hunt activity planned for October 1st. A copy of the rules has been provided to Ron WE8V and distributed electronically via email. For additional information, please reference the club website or contact Earl W8BR.

The National Hurricane Net has been activated today on 14.325Mhz and 7.268Mhz and will re-activate tomorrow (9/18). There are multiple weather events being monitored by the net.

❖ **Swap & Shop:**

Retired T.V. Repair Shop off S.R. 146 behind gas station on Bluecrest Dr. Garage sale today and tomorrow (9/17). Quite a few pieces of vintage electronics and test gear.

❖ **Announcements & Events:**

○ **Nets:**

- NARA, Tuesdays at 21.00, 146.88, pl 141.3 (On the last Tuesday of the month the NARA net will be on 444.50, pl 141.3.)
- ARES, 1st & 3rd Wednesdays at 21.00. 146.88, pl 141.3
- Buckeye Net: Multi-Mode, Thurs, Sat & Sun at 13:00, 60M Ch. 4
- Central Ohio Traffic Net, Central Ohio Radio Club (CORC), daily net at 7:15pm 146.970, pl 123.0
- COOKEN, Thursdays at 20:30, 50.500MHz, SSB
- Digital practice net after the regular COOKEN Net, 9pm
- Licking County Skywarn DMR net Saturday evening at 21:00 on TG 31685.
- Fairfield ARES Nets, Mondays at 19:00, 146.700 pl 94.8
- Fairfield County ARC Net, Mondays at 21:00, 147.030 pl 71.9
- Mt. Vernon ARC Nets, Sundays at 21:00, 146.790 pl 71.9
- Ohio ARES HF Net, Tuesdays at 19:00, 3.850 MHZ
- Popular central Ohio Simplex frequencies: 145.70, 146.46, 145.55

❖ **Adjournment:** Bret KD8SCL motioned for adjournment, seconded by Jeff KC8OQI. The meeting was adjourned at 6:30PM.

❖ **Program:**

Due to technical difficulties with the on-premise overhead monitor, the presentation prepared for the 9/17 meeting was cancelled. Anyone wishing to view the content of the video by Ria Jaraim N2RJ may view it on Youtube at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kyLDC-H8kb0>

Ria also recently posted a longer, updated presentation at the Youtube online hamfest which can be seen here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sH-iPNe3B8s&t=544s>

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Please send additions or corrections to secretary@n8ara.org

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Secretary NARA