

## ZERO BEATERS AMATUER RADIO CLUB

### **Minutes of September 7, 2016 Meeting**

**Call to Order:** Bob Dohrer, W0AVG President

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM. Nineteen members were present. The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag followed.

**Secretary's Report:** Melanie McKinney, K0MBM

Minutes of August 21, 2016 minutes were presented and approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Paul Chambers, N0BBD

\$1,537.77 reported in petty cash with all bills paid.

Paul Chambers reported that the Club has a \$6,000.00 CD with First Bank that matures on October 17<sup>th</sup> with a 10-day window following to make a decision on how to re-negotiate the CD. Suggestions included including changing banks, looking for better rates, and possibly breaking it up into smaller, multiple CDs.

**ARES Report:** Stacy Landers WA0ZUG

Monthly ARES meeting to be held September 20, 2016.

Abe Cook, Franklin County Emergency Manager scheduled to attend.

**VE Testing Report:** Paul Chambers, N0BBD

No new report

**Web Master Report: Mike Bumb, K0YRG**

Buttons have been added to website to allow members to review:

- Previous meeting minutes
- Details of prior year events
- Pictures from the August 21, 2016 meeting

**240 Repeater:**

End of message and double beeping sound reported on 240 repeater. Craig Brune N0MFD will look into.

**Equipment Donated by Life Member Lester Maune**

A breakdown of the significant equipment donated by Les, including a tower that needs to be transported from Les' residence, was presented by Don Hazelwood K0N0WG.

Motion approved to use power supply donated by Les Maune for Club use in order to replace borrowed power supply for repeaters.

Donated items to be sold first come first serve with preference given to Club members.

A complete list of equipment available for sale to be placed on Club web site with contact person listed. Don Hazelwood to track bids for those interested. Additionally, it was suggested that available items be distributed to other ham clubs and be listed online for sale, e.g. Larry's List. A motion was approved to purchase two tables at HalloweenFest for the purposes of selling equipment not sold by then.

### **Fund Raising**

With the sale of Les' equipment expected to bring in a sizable amount, a larger discussion began regarding Club expenses and methods of fundraising including:

- Eliminating repeater tower rental cost
- Recruitment of new members
- Posting YouTube videos highlighting Club and adding them to Club web site
- Sale of excess vacuum tubes
- Utilizing Chamber of Commerce or Lions Club
- Suggestions to improve HamFest 2017 results including:
  - Changing dates, timing, and/or location
  - Listing date on ARRL web site, and utilizing ARRL resources to advertise to other clubs
  - Additional and earlier advertising, including production of a flyer with a list of other regional and larger HamFest events for the year listed on backside
  - Partnering with other area clubs and attending their events, especially WinterFest and HalloweenFest
  - Adding contests, specifically Home Brew/DIY
  - Development of a formal vendor list
  - Focusing on attracting vendors such as those from complimentary industries/interests like preppers, and/or solar and alternative energy source sellers
  - Approaching vendors at HalloweenFest and WinterFest
  - Offering free or refundable tables to vendors

A motion was approved to donate \$75 to Friends of Emmaus for the purpose of obtaining tables for HamFest 2017.

### **50/50 Drawing**

Won by President Bob Dohrer who donated \$16 to Club.

### **Meeting adjourned by President Bob Dohrer**

**Respectfully submitted:**  
**Melanie McKinney, Secretary, 2016/2017**  
**KOMBM**