

ECARC - 9/17/2013 Meeting Minutes

Rolf, KG0KM, called the Meeting to order at 6:42 PM at Lake St. United Methodist Church (Lower Level Meeting Room). Ten members attended.

Treasurer Ron, W9RLL provided a detailed treasurer's report. Motion made and seconded to approve the report. Motion passed unanimously. Ron mentioned that both insurance policies are coming due and the club will switch liability carriers to combine them for significant savings on the premiums.

Meeting Minutes from 5/21/13 meeting were read. Several corrections were made. Motion was made & seconded to approve meeting minutes as corrected. Motion passed unanimously. Corrected minutes will be posted on the Club website.

There were no meeting minutes taken at the June and July monthly meetings as they were both informal and no business was transacted. There was no August monthly meeting.

David Voss could not be present as he is in the hospital for a diagnostic procedure.

Rolf thanked all who turned out for the funeral of Liz Searing (N9EQR) at Smith's Funeral home.

In addition, many thanks to John (KE9KW) who arranged to have the club meeting at this location tonight. He will secure this room for the October meeting as well.

DISCUSSION

The location of future meetings was discussed. The club needs to find another place to meet. John has discussed continuing at this site, but it does not appear we can stay here indefinitely. Several sites were mentioned and East Ridge Center and local hospitals will be approached to see if there is a room available. Rolf KG0KM will follow up and report at the next meeting.

The CVARC Tailgate Swap Meet was well attended. It was held at the Eagles Club Parking Lot on 7/20/13.

The 2013 Field Day activities for ECARC took place at Paul's W0AIH antenna farm on June 22 & 23rd. All had a good time. Ron W9RLL ordered and distributed T-shirts to all who wanted them.

Belvidere swap meet attendance was down a bit this year. Attendance could have been affected by the rainy weather to start out in the morning, but it turned out to be a nice afternoon. It is still a very good event.

Ron W9RLL thanked those who participated in the Labor Day Siren testing. A surprising number of people participated. The last Siren Test of the year for Eau Claire City/County will be held on October 7, 2013. Ron, W9RLL will be Net Controller.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Colby Ham Fest will take place on Saturday, October 12, 2013. **Please note that this year it will be held at the Colby Lions Club Pavilion in Colby.** In the past couple of years, the location has been in Abbotsford.

ECARC will be hosting a Ham Examination Session at 9 AM on Saturday, October 12, 2013 at Lake St. United Methodist Church. There will be a \$15.00 fee for each examination. Walk-in's are welcome! Volunteer Examiner is Jon Case KE9KW. More details on the ECARC website.

Next Exam in this area will be November 2nd, 2013 at UW Stout, Millennium Hall at 9 AM.

Next Ham Examination in Eau Claire will be January 12, 2013 at a site to be determined.

A reminder that Daylight Savings time will end November 3rd. Fall back one hour. GMT/UTC hours will not change.

PROGRAM

We discussed (and some of us just listened) Remote Internet Radio Control. Some of the topics were Internet Service requirements, software and applications that are used.

Meeting adjourned about 7:25 PM.

Next meeting will be 10/15/2013 at East Ridge Center. That is located at 2160 East Ridge Center Drive, just north of Mega East Grocery Store. Come to the North end of the Mall (Highland Ave. side) where the Army/Navy Recruiters are located and look for signs at that entrance. Meeting will take place at 6:30 PM until about 8:00 PM. We will continue to discuss future meeting locations, examination locations and our 2014 Auction. See you then.

Ron, KC9PKO