

## Elkhorn Valley Amateur Radio Club

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> August 12, 2023 Monthly Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 8:32 by club President Shane Flanagan.

Members present: Sue – KD0JE, Nick – KB0GMQ, Gail – AA0GV, Shane – KE0APG, Andy – KF0CSI, Terry L. – W0TDL, Aaron M – KT0Q, Bruce – K8UDH, Fred – K0FJW, Monty – NR0A, Ron – N0ZQR

The Minutes were read by Aaron. Monty made a motion to accept. Fred seconded. It was carried by the club.

The Treasurers Report was read by Aaron. A motion was made by Nick to accept. Bruce seconded. It was carried by the club.

## **Committee Reports**

Repeater Reports – 440 - We think we isolated the issue with the repeater locking up. It seems to have issues when the computer restarts. Thank you to Monty for trouble shooting the issue. We will ensure that the WiresX software is disconnected before rebooting. Fred mentioned setting up control to be able to shut the system down. Discussion commenced. Fred will investigate attaching amps on the repeaters so that in the event there is a lockup, the repeaters are running on low power and won't burn out.

DMR – We are trying to coordinate installation of the new antenna. This will be provided by the Nebraska Turbo group.

A break was held for breakfast at 9:08am. Reconvened at 9:30.

73 site – Monty visited the 73 site yesterday to work on the APRS system due to a lack of reception. The squelch was turned almost all the way up (high squelch level) reducing the sensitivity. If anyone visits the site they should double check the squelch and make sure it is set to zero (off) before they leave the site.

Testing Committee – Testing will be held Saturday, August 19th 1:15pm at the library. VE's show at 1pm.

## **Old Business**

Ham Fest – D&L is coming. Aaron is starting preparations for requesting donations.

Bruce is teaching a CW class winter of 2024. Several club members are attending. Reach out for more information.

The KOHW Estate Sale is on the 19<sup>th</sup> of August in Elk Point.

Winter Field Day – January 27-28, 2024

## **New Business**

ARRL Memberships – Dues are increasing.

Music in the Park – There are opportunities to help park cars at the event. \$250 will be donated to the club for each night helped with. Ron brought up making sure we are isolated in case of an incident at the event. Monty made a motion to support the Kiwanis club by helping with parking. Seconded by Shane. No discussion. Carried by the group.

Andy brought up the idea of a group text group. We will investigate it.

The next meeting is September 9th, 2023

Split the pot of \$10 was won by Fred who donated the money to the club.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:00am.

Respectfully Submitted, Aaron Mathis, KTOQ Secretary/Treasurer