

The following are the tentative minutes of the August MARA meeting subject to correction and /or approval at the next meeting.

The August 8, 2012 MARA was called to order at 7:30 PM. Introductions were given which included 2 guests from the Plainfield Twp Fire Department.

The secretary read the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion to approve by Matt, 2nd by Richard, passed.

Treasurers's Report: The Treasurer was absent. Larry read from the bank statement. As of 7/31, starting balance was \$2125.73, spent \$23.85 for Field Day food, \$3. for bank service charge, new balance is \$ 2098.88. Jerry is checking with Fedcom CU as a possible new bank. Motion to approve by Matt, 2nd by Richard, passed.

Trustee's Report: all OK

Committee Reports:

Great Lakes Award: none

Special Events: none

Newsletter: soon

Webmaster: see below

Bereavement: Delbert Schuelke, KB8MFH recently passed away and info is on the website.

2 meter net: good, former member, Chris Anderson, recently checked in
Field Day: none

Fund Raising: Dan is working with the scheduling lady at the Hall on a future
Burger Nite in latter part of October.

Membership: none

Old Business: none

New Business:

We need to sever ties with Steepleton Bldg, turn keys in and inform them that we are not coming back so there is no further payments due. Check with Jerry to see if they understand that we are done. Motion to approve by Barton, 2nd by Larry, passed.

We had an open discussion about ham radio with our guests, why they wanted to be hams, about DXing, Field Day, EME, satellites, etc. Larry may be giving classes to three Plainfield Twp Fire Dept fire-fighters.

Mike mentioned that there will be a meteor shower this weekend, mainly Saturday

evening into early Sunday morning, suppose to be a good one.

GRARA's swap is Sept 8th at northwest corner of Burlingame SW and Gezon Parkway in Wyoming.

Further discussion on the Club's By-laws:

Sections 13 (Terms) and sect 14 (Requirements) combined into new section 14.

Section 21, items I & J deleted, making item K now item I

The majority agreed to drop Section 23 completely, making section 24 now 23.

Webmaster will have revisions on the website shortly, check Library site, then to

By-Law workshop. All members should review the By-Laws before the Sept meeting

when a vote should occur to approve.

Club inventory was discussed as per By Laws new section 23 (old sec 24). We are

not sure what we have or where it is. This will have to be addressed in the near future.

Larry made a motion, 2nd by Peg to adjourn at 826 PM

Next month's agenda: Vote on revised By-laws, discuss Burger Nite.

Submitted by Mike, K800K, MARA secretary