

Columbus Amateur Radio Club
Meeting Minutes
May 16, 2016

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Secretary's Report: Jim (WA9TGO) summarized the minutes from the last meeting. Marion (WD9HTN) moved to accept, Gary (KD9SB) seconded. Motion passed.

Lois (KA9OIS) gave the Treasurer's report. Jim (WA9TGO) moved to accept, Josh (KC9YUA) seconded. Motion passed.

Trustee Reports:

2 Meter Repeater: Marion (WD9HTN) reported its working ok, except a couple guys have been using it without identifying with callsigns. Marion assumed they were not licensed and tried to shut the repeater down remotely, without success – probably because he used the new repeater PL tone of 103.5 instead of the original Control Receiver PL tone. Joe (KA9OPL) pointed out the Control Receiver PL tone was not changed. When Marion tries to shut it down using the original PL tone and codes, it will probably work. If not, Marion and Gary (KD9SB) will investigate.

440 Repeater: Joe (KA9OPL) reported it is working normally. Joe has determined he can remotely turn the Echolink off and back on with DTMF control codes when he wants to send control codes to the repeater. Jim (N9KVX) is working on implementing that, but Joe hasn't heard if it is complete yet. Also, Joe received an email today from Chuck Weber who had trouble opening their gate after the lighting storm because someone had installed another lock. He had to hacksaw it off, and he assumed it was ours. He expressed concern about minimizing the number of people accessing the site and said they would prefer to have their regular bushhogger do the mowing now. [Subsequently, Joe established neither we nor SCICSG were there recently, and that we would not have added a lock. The issue was resolved, things are back to normal, and SCICSG did the spring mowing. Thanks for promptly taking care of this Joe.]

Old Business: We don't have a complete report on the hamfest financials yet or if Matt made a reservation for next year yet, but hopefully he at least got information on fees for next year. We never did come up with a good alternative location. Lois (KA9OIS) gave a preliminary hamfest report: The sale of Jim Seddon's equipment at the hamfest brought in about \$1545 and other activities resulted in about another \$500 profit.

New Business: Nothing is planned for Field Day (June 25 and 26) yet. Members might want to see what SCICSG is planning.

Marion (WD9HTN) moved to adjourn and we all left.

Submitted by: Jim (WA9TGO), Secretary