

## HCRA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

August 21, 2024

Meeting Began 7:00 PM at Alan's House

### Attendees:

President – AB1XW Alan    Secretary – NF1G Paul

ZeroBeat – KD1KU Ken    Program Dir. – AA1UE Gary

At Large – KP4JLD Josue    Treasurer – KC1V George

Tech. Dir. – WA1OJN Bob

### Unable to Attend:

Membership – Steve N1SR

Vice President – EZ W1AEZ

### **President's Report: Alan, AB1XW**

- Discussion of Field Day -consensus was it went well despite the weather.
- Trailer inventory to take place sometime this Fall. Paul supplied inventory from insurance policy.
- Letters are now being sent to all new licensees including link to the website.

### **Vice President's Report: Ez, W1AEZ**

- Welcome back, EZ !

### **Secretary's Report: Paul, NF1G**

- Discussion regarding trailer situation and registration/insurance. Must plan on moving to a new location. Options discussed as to how to effectuate move.
- Next batch of outgoing QSLs on target for mid-September. Email and FB will be posted.

### **Treasurer's Report: George, KC1V**

**The Treasurer's Report was reviewed and approved. Any member may obtain a copy by contacting the Treasurer.**

Still seeking a new Treasurer to take over for George. George will remain until new Treasurer found or until end of December.

### **Program Director's Report: Gary, AA1UE (via Alan)**

- September through December meeting calendar filled. See ZeroBeat for details.
- Several suggestions for January through March. Some very good candidates/topics are real possibilities.

### **Membership Report: Steve, N1SR**

- 3 Life, 6 family, 15 prospects, 109 regular members, 1 courtesy. Total 134 so far.
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- No update as Steve unable to attend.

### **At Large: Josue, KP4JLD**

- Discussed planning for October club picnic. Was enjoyed by all and well attended last year. Will investigate use of POTA sites as School Street Park is not technically a POTA site.
- Suggested we need to do more activities for members. (See kit building discussion below)

### **Technical: Bob, WA1OJN**

- Discussion of some kit options to hold a club event at Holyoke Hospital. Attempt to hold kit price to under \$100 but requirements should be that it include some soldering and assembly.

### **ZeroBeat: Ken, KD1KU**

- ZeroBeat entered into Best Newsletter Contest to be held at Hamvention in Marlborough.
- Alan will step in to edit ZeroBeat for September as Ken has another project consuming his time.

### **New Business:**

- Discussion about reaching out other area clubs MTARA, FCARC for mutually supportive activities.
- Discussion regarding Tech classes for Fall/Spring.

### **Old Business:**

**Next Club Meeting: Friday, September 7, 2024 at 7:30 PM at Holyoke Hospital**

**Next Board Meeting: September 25, 2024 at 7:00 PM on Zoom**

**Meeting Adjourned: 8:35 PM**