

SVARA Harmonic

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Saginaw Valley Amateur Radio Association

November, 2013

For ARES Members: Next training is on Thursday November 24 at 7pm.

(Please refer to the ARES website for contact and more information)

Club Meeting Dates (at Red Cross):

All dates are Fridays: November 1, and December 6

Club Breakfast Dates (at State Street Texan):

All dates are Saturdays: November 2, and December 7

Board Meeting Dates (at State Street Texan):

All dates are Wednesdays: November 13, and December 18

General Meeting Minutes
American Red Cross Building
October 4, 2013

Judy KC8BYI opened the meeting with 21 members and guests present. Then she led all with the pledge of allegiance and introductions.

A motion was made by Gordy KC8YVD and seconded by many to accept the General Minutes from the September meeting as presented within the Harmonic newsletter; Dave W8DW chose to oppose the motion.

A motion was made by John KC8WZM and seconded by Ron KC8YVF to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented by Jeff KC8BDQ. Motion was carried with one abstention.

The Vice President gave his swap update that included the straits area, Kalamazoo, and Madison Heights. Mike KD8MMH then asked if we would be sending Santa grams at the zoo and the museum during the Holiday Pride in the City festivities. Clinton W8ERK made and John KC8WZM seconded the motion to take part in this event. Lou W8LPV made and Jeff KC8BDQ seconded a motion to put Jim Wades WB8SIW up at the Montique Inn assuming he will be able to participate.

Upcoming events: include Club Breakfast, Board Meeting, and clean up of the trailer, The Emergency Preppers Expo, and Ares at hopefully at the Central Fire Station.

Preparations for the Emergency Expo have included the printing and ordering of hand-outs and pencils for distribution. We will be holding a raffle of a wind-up radio.

Judy KC8BYI made and Dave N8ERL seconded the motion to lower the reserved funds for the Rosien Tower project to \$500 dollars, while returning the rest for general use.

Kevin Martin KD8QAM new member and president of the Midland Club shared there upcoming events including the Dirty Dog Run, Technician License Class with testing sessions, and participation in the Boy Scouts Jamboree of the Air at the fairgrounds.

Judy KC8BYI asked to consider people for the board reminding that nominations will be taken at the November meeting and several positions will be open. A pot-luck and elections will be held at December meeting.

Dave W8DW reported that the same 10 to 12 people work the net each week and he asked that others consider checking-in or even taking a turn at net control.

Lou W8LPV won \$18.00 in the 50/50 drawing.

Dave N8ERL made and Nate KD8GOW seconded a motion to adjourn at 8:44.

Respectfully Submitted
Michael Linton, N8XPS
Secretary

Board Meeting Minutes
State Street Texan Restaurant
October 16, 2013

Duane KD8AUY called the meeting to order at 7:39 with Tom N8EUI, Mike KD8MMH, Dave N8ERL, Judy KC8BYI, Jeff KC8BDQ, Doris KD8MMG, and Mike N8XPS present.

Judy KC8BYI made and Doris KD8MMG seconded the motion to accept September board meeting minutes as presented within the Harmonic newsletter.

President's Report: A tire for the trailer has been purchased ready for mounting. Judy KC8BYI has one more item on her list to be accomplished within her term as president she made and Lou W8LPV seconded a motion to remove the tower from trailer on the grounds it is heavy and seldom used. Ron KC8YVF gave her a list of materials needed to be purchased for the Rosien Tower project. Tom N8EUI said he would order them.

Vice President's Report: Mike KD8MMH expressed thanks for participation in the preparedness expo. While preparing the trailer for the public a suggestion was made to replace binding posts with power poles, it was expressed that they remain.

Treasurer's Report: Jeff KC8BDQ made and Doris KD8MMG seconded the motion that the running and tail lights be replaced with L.E.D.s.

Chairman's Report: Duane KD8AUY passed around a letter from the F.C.C. concerning the partial closing of the government and an announcement from the A.R.R.L. about Ares training. Echolink is nearly operational at the Red Cross. Ron KC8YVF is getting what is still needed and wants Aaron KD8AVA to help set it up.

The family of Larry W8RIK is settling his estate by selling his radio equipment. Dave N8ERL will be making a price list for them to go by.

Judy KC8BYI made and Dave N8ERL seconded the motion to adjourn at 8:01.

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General Membership meeting is held monthly on the 1st Friday, at 8:00 p.m. at the American Red Cross, 1232 N. Michigan.

Board of Directors meeting - monthly on the 2nd Wednesday following the general membership meeting, 8:00 p.m. at the Texan Restaurant, 5656 State St.

Club Breakfast – monthly on Saturday morning after the meeting, 8:30 a.m. at the Texan Restaurant, 5656 State St.

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