

**Milwaukee Repeater Club Board Meeting
March 25, 2002**

Location: Home of Gary, N9UUR.

Present: Mike N9NPB, Gary N9UUR, Tom AB9EK, Napoleon NØXXL and Janet KB9ZAG

Guest: Warren K9IZV and Jeananne N9VSV

Meeting called to order at 11:10am by club president Napoleon NØXXL.

MRC LOGO: Discussion occurred on the MRC Logo. Who has the right to use it and when. A letter dated from the Board in 1994 stated that the logo could not be used for any other purpose than club business, such as swapfest, club gatherings or membership meetings. The 2002 Board stated that the **MRC LOGO; be it affirmed that the use of the Logo must be approved by the Board of Directors of the MRC.** With that stated the Board moved to approve ABC Embroidery to embroider the MRC Logo on your own personal apparel provided it is in good taste. All members must understand that the article of clothing must be in good taste. Karen Newsted is the owner of ABC Embroidery (WB9PTC daughter).

Quilt Guild: Napoleon stated that members of the club are making a quilt with members call signs on it along with the MRC Logo. Discussion occurred whether this should be a club sanction event since the MRC Logo will appear on it. Again it was stated that anything with the MRC Logo on it is a club event. **We need communications among the Board members. Board Members should not hear it on the air first.**

Technical Report: Mike, N9NPB, stated that the Northeast site still needs work and is waiting for better weather so he can climb the tower at this location. Northwest site is still not working. Mike stated he might have to move the antenna to a different location. Main site still needs a few more small repairs but is working fine. Due to a fuse problem at main site the repeater went on battery backup. The repeater will run under normal use for 12 hours on the battery. Mike would like to approach the Waukesha County board this summer to see if we can move main site to one of their towers. Mike needs input from the organizations that we support, such as ARES, Bay View Bike Ride, Emergency Management and Sullivan Weather. Gary, N9UUR and Mike, N9NPB, will draft a letter in the next 2-3 weeks to send to these organizations asking for their support.

Secretary Report: Tom, AB9EK, is putting together a list of all motions made at club meetings. He reported that he had completed the list from 1994 to 1999. Should be done with this in the next week or two.

Financial Report: Gary, N9UUR, stated we need to update the inventory list, with replacement cost for equipment, to the Insurance company and club records. Gary gave the Board a list of all transactions from 1/1/02 to 5/25/02. Membership stands at 277 with 213 voters and 64 in suspension. Total of all accounts is \$14,561.44 and actual expendable funds is \$6,172.08.

Activities: At the next club meeting, May 29, 2002, the club should vote on if there should be a Field Day or not. If there will be a Field Day, Gary N9UUR will contact the Insurance Agent with the necessary information to obtain a certificate of insurance for the county. Field Day planning is still going on. It will be held at Kletzsch Park area #2 on June 22-23. Janet, KB9ZAG, stated the club picnic will be held on August 31st also at Kletzsch Park area #8. Janet and Napoleon are working on getting a display both at State Fair Park during the fair, which runs from August 1st to the 11th. Also a possible display at the Racine County Fair.

New Business: Jeananne, N9VSV, has asked the Board for the use of the repeater on June 6th for the Miller Ride and July 11th for the Bay View Cycling Classic. The Board gave their approval.

Video Recording: At the last club meeting the question of video recording was brought up. The 2002 Board has the following policy; **Video/Audio recording or taking of still pictures, the person taking such pictures or video/audio recording must get permission from the Club members before the start of the meeting.**

Swapnet: The question has come up about posting the cost of the item for sale on the air. Warren, K9IZV stated at one time the MRC did allow this but at one time had also received a letter from the FCC telling us to stop this. Per the FCC rule 97.113 a2-3 from the 12th

edition of the FCC Rule Book, published by the ARRL, allows the prices to be said on the air providing that no haggling be done on the air (page 2-25 of rule book). The Board thought that the swapnet control operator, Lloyd should be involved with this. Janet, KB9ZAG will contact the FCC for clarification on this before the Board comes up with a new policy for the swapnet.

Miscellaneous: Warren, K9IZV, stated he would like to have a straight key night every three months or so on the repeater. Also he has a possible topic for the funnet, W2ZDB would be net control and an individual for the company he works for would handle the traffic, topic would be on insurance.

Motion to adjourn made by Janet,KB9ZAG and seconded by Mike,N9NPB. Meeting adjourned at 2:10pm. Next Board meeting on July 19 at 7:00pm, Tom's AB9EK home, in Franklin.

Respectful submitted
Tom Schulte,AB9EK
Club Secretary