

**Milwaukee Repeater Club  
Board Meeting  
March 21, 2003**

**Location:** Home of Bob AAB9FB and Eileen KB9ZHV

**Present:** Bob Albert AB9FB, Eileen Albert KB9ZHV, Napoleon Hardy N0XXL, Janet Wojciechowski KB9ZAG, and Maureen Zentner KB9VLJ

**Guests:** Matt Moog KC9COY, Warren Schall K9IZV and Mark Zentner KB9VJQ

The meeting was called to order at 7:18 p.m. by Bob Albert, AB9FB, the Club Vice President.

1. Financial Report & Membership Report

The numbers are the same as what was published at the Membership Meeting.  
2004 Dues account needs to be created.

2. Committees

A. Technical Committee (Information provided by Mike N9NPB)

- a. Over the winter, the repeater gives us the least amount of trouble. Could be due to the cold weather.
- b. Site Technical Committee Coordinators
  - i. Al N9RXD and Gary N9UUR - North
  - ii. Gary N9UUR and Jeananne N9VSV - Downtown
  - iii. Brad N9KXA – South
  - iv. Mike N9NPB - Northwest and Chair
- c. Want to get a committee together as decisions are going to need to be made
  - i. Talk about the idea of moving mainsite
  - ii. Radios no longer being manufactured and some of the components are no longer being manufactured. Plan to look at other radios available for our use.
  - iii. Need to look at transmitters and rebuild our system
  - iv. Mike has the only key unless we sign an agreement, which might bankrupt the club.
  - v. What items do we have spares of:
    - a. Old Mirage Amplifiers RF Power Amplifiers - if Henry goes down
    - b. Old Astron Power supply
    - c. UHF & VHF radios (3 of one and 2 of the other)
  - vi. Board needs to be hands on with this committee per Napoleon
  - vii. Committee Activities
    - a. Action plan
    - b. Signal issues sometimes
    - c. Shot gunning sites
    - d. Replacing radios
    - e. Forming the committee

Will require commitment by people who are volunteering

- f. 1st replace transmitters (total transmitters 5) then replace receivers. Ballpark to replace a radio \$350. Mike to put together an article for the newsletter to form a committee.
  - viii. Technical Committee Meeting  
Wednesday, April 16th at 7PM  
639 North 25th Street
  - viii. Circulator - We no longer have use for the circulator and it is only worth what someone is willing to pay. Value approx. \$100 circulator includes tray and dummy load. Board agreed unanimously to sell and above stated value.
  - x. Maureen to copy and provide the 4 sheets of paper inventory to Mike N9NPB.
- 3. Activities
  - A. July or September Meeting  
How does the repeater work? To be presented by Mike N9NPB
  - B. Weather Nets  
The following people were at a Net Controller meeting of Sullivan in regards to the Weather Nets on the Wednesday before the 91 Weather Meeting. Skip, Dave (513 & Waukesha ARES), Tom 82 Sullivan Overseer, Walworth, and Pt. Washington 97. The Net Controllers said we are not ready to use the new reporting format. We can use either format and they will take information in the new format if it is available. We are following the guidance of Sullivan and will integrate the new reporting format next year.
  - C. Safety Break  
Still in the phone call stage playing telephone tag. Still looking good for the 4th of July
  - D. Hamvention/Dayton Trip  
15 sign ups and 1 paid  
Cancellation date is April 28th
- 4. Old Business
  - A. Batteries Plus  
Bob to contact Batteries Plus and complete application.
  - B. Survey  
The survey results will be presented to the Board at the May meeting.
  - C. Swapfest  
Bob and Joe are in the process of working on the Swapfest
  - D. Status of 501c3  
Janet contacted IRS - Forms were never completed - EIN number is what we are waiting for and they will be sent to the P.O. Box. The process never finished. Janet will contact Don.
- 5. New business
  - A. Publication of Board Meeting Minutes  
This was completed and is on the website.
  - B. Standard Announcements for Public Service Net  
The website information has been added to the announcements on the Public Service Net.
  - C. Vanity call  
The FCC does not have our application at all for our vanity call. We were missing one form.

D. Terrorism insurance

Our insurance carrier informed us that we have the option to add Terrorism insurance for \$7.10/year. The Board approved.

A motion to adjourn to the meeting at 10:37 p.m. was made. Meeting adjourned.

**Next Board Meeting:** Friday, May 9, 2003  
7:00 p.m.  
Matt's Home  
3456 S. 35th Street  
North of Morgan

Respectfully submitted  
Maureen Zentner, KB9VLJ  
MRC Secretary