

**Milwaukee Repeater Club
Board Meeting
May 14, 2004**

Location: Dean's (KB7QDI) workplace, New Berlin, WI

Attendees: Bob (AB9FB), Dean (KB7QDI), Joe (N9UX), Matt (KC9COY), Warren (K9IZV), Gary (N9MGJ), Brian (K5GBW) via phone.

Meeting called to order at 6:35 PM by Bob (AB9FB)

President

Bob (AB9FB) asked about what books needed to be purchased. Asked Joe (N9UX) to find out what books we were going to purchase. Others may have also volunteered to purchase books.

Bob reported the Repeater Trustee has been changed to Warren (K9IZV). The license needs to be signed and copies made.

Bob reported this Wednesday meeting is at a new location, 2300 N. Mayfair Road. Gary (N9MGJ) will make the announcement on the Sunday Public Service net. Matt (KC9COY) would check to see if we need a key to get into the facility.

Remote sites. Mike (N9NPB) has changed the receive sites to identify with the repeater club call.

Secretary

Joe (N9UX) made a motion to dispose of the ballots from the January meeting. Matt (KC9COY) second. Motion carries unopposed.

Joe (N9UX) asked about distribution of the newsletter. Dean (KB7QDI) will take care of the emailing, Brian (K5GBW) will handle the mailing.

Joe (N9UX) asked about the net manager for the EC net. Bob said he talked to Jeananne (N9VSV) about this, she will take care of the net.

Treasurer

Brian (K5GBW) discussed the club getting 501(c)3 status. Dean (KB7QDI) had questions about the criteria for getting status. We are organized, but is our purpose Educational, public safety or scientific? Brian (K5GBW) to research and report to group.

Should we become a public charity or private foundation. It appears that private foundation is more likely. In either case, a form 990 would need to be reported each year, this is an additional responsibility. We also must be able to provide written notice for

donations greater than \$75.

We also have a limited membership, in order to join the club you must have a radio license.

Bob said he would review the constitution and propose updates with the new responsibilities.

Activities Manager

Matt has lined up a presentation for the July meeting, Gary (N9UUR) will demonstrate repeater cavities and explain some of the technical aspects of the repeater. There will also be a Field Day wrap-up. Gary (N9MGJ) will do a presentation at our meeting in September.

Field Day Update

Gary (N9MGJ) provided an update on Field Day preparations. He asked about a RS-35 power supply the club owned. Matt (KC9COY) has forms from the park service. They have asked us to limit the vehicles on the park grounds.

CERT

Gary (N9MGJ) would like a few minutes at the membership meeting to introduce CERT, Community Emergency Response Team. Bob (AB9FB) said he would put it on the agenda.

VOAD

Gary (N9MGJ) brought up working with VOAD, Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters. Napoleon (N0XXL) had some information on them from last year. There are responsibilities of the club if you are a full or associate member. The board will review if we want to become a member of this organization.

One of the things many events now require is photo identification cards. Our club is not structured at this point to act as a response team.

Newsletter

Warren (K9IZV) asked about members in suspension. Only members listed since January 1, 2004 received newsletters this month. This includes members in suspension. Members in suspension as of Dec 31, 2003 had been dropped from the roster.

Responders Group

Warren (K9IZV) asked if there were any complaints about the responders group. No one on the board heard negative comments.

Raffle

Brian (K5GBW) said he had a number of club items which could be raffled off at the next meeting. The raffle funds would go to the Field Day fund.

Meeting adjourned at 8:38PM.

Dean (KB7QDI) gave a presentation on Echolink.

To Do List

Joe to review minutes to see what books we are going to purchase.

Brian to provide more research on 501(c)3 criteria.

Bob to review constitution, propose updates outlining the responsibilities.