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SECRETARY'S NOTES

March Minutes



The March meeting of the Branch County Radio Amateur Club was called to order by president Chris Pavka, N8JHE at 8:24 pm. The meeting was held in room 201 at the BCACC.

There were no minutes from February as the meeting was called off due to a snow storm moving into the Coldwater area. Moved and seconded that the minutes from the January meeting be accepted as printed in the February news letter. Treasurer's report was made by Amos, WA8LGO. There is \$359.40 in the treasury with a couple of outstanding bills.

Jim, KS8D reported that there is 13 in the Novice class and all doing well. After the Novice class is finished a class will be started for the General class license. Chris, N8JHE reminded everyone that about 8 people will be needed for the Auto Swap Meet on May 14th. Chris also read a letter from Marty Chartrand, chairman of the Happy Heart Run he would like about 12 people at the Fairgrounds at 7:30am on May 7th.

Chris read a special tribute letter from the Governor of Michigan recognizing the Radio Amateur service.

Wednesday March 23rd. at 7:30pm in room 101 there will be an ARES/RACES meeting. Thursday March 31st. at 7:00pm in room 101 there will be a Skywarn training session by Bill Fortune, Meteorologist in charge from Lansing.

Discussion on repeater cycling possible solution is to use UOX.

Chuck Lewis, N8BYI nominated by Herb, WD8J00 to fill vacant spot on repeater board. Seconded by Jim, KA8MPM. Carried. Discussed rig donated by Steve, N8CTI to be used for a Digipeater presently

located at Larrys, W8SR. No resolution. Moved by Carl, K8PRD that we renew membership in MARC. Seconded by Jim, KS8D. Passed.

Next months program will be a video on the Dayton Hamvention.

Discussed using decoders for ARES/RACES alerting devices. These boards were built by the Builders club and anyone intrested can attend a meeting to build one. Chuck discussed his Packet adapter for the C-64.

Moved by Jim, KS8D to adjourn, sesonded by several voices. Passed.



Car Swap Meet update: we will need approximately 24 people for this 3 day event. 6 people for Friday evening. 6 people for early shift Saturday. 6 people for late

shift Saturday. 6 people for Sunday. This is a big event for the city and we have the opportunity to be in on something big, so let's all do our best to help. For more info see Jim, KS8D or myself. We also need help for the Happy Heart Run.

SEVERE WEATHER INFO: Thanks to all who showed up for our Skywarn session, we had a good turnout. anyone intrested in getting a copy of the Minneapolis Tornado, get a blank tape to me and I will make a copy for you.

We have had two watches in less than a week with only four people participating! Keep an ear and eye on the weather and repeater!

73, Chris, N8JHE

APRIL MEETING: This months meeting will be in room 201 (same as last month) at the BCACC at 7:30pm. The program for this month is a video on the Dayton Hamvention.