

# GMARC MEETING MINUTES 18-OCT-2016

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**I. Call to Order** by the President, Marty KB8JIU at 7:03 PM.

## II. Introductions, Upgrades, and Visitors

There was (1) visitor Edmund KE8EXE.

## III. Minutes

Minutes of the 20-Sep meeting Robbin K1KNN and seconded by Scott W1BIC. Motion carried.

## IV. Treasurer's Report – Bobby N8CY

### GMARC Treasurer's Report

October 18, 2016

Last Statement Balance 20-Sep-2016	\$3,374.47
Membership Dues	40.00
Liability Insurance Premium	-298.00
Money order for Auto-Owners Payment	-5.00
50/50 Raffle	<u>16.00</u>

October Bank Balance -- \$3,127.47

Raffle Fund	721.08
Repeater Fund*	905.90
New Member Mailpiece Fund	10.96
501(c)(3) Fund	400.00
General Fund	1,089.53

Additional Repeater Fund Pledges:  
- Kurt WU8V -\$100

\*Projected Repeater Fund Balance \$ 1,005.90

Motion to approve October Treasurer's Report by Mike W8MJC and seconded by Robbin K1KNN. Motion carried.

## V. Membership Report – Bobby N8CY

We have **31** members who paid their 2016 dues, **7** who have paid their 2017 dues, and **36** Heritage Members. (3) new members paid their 2017 dues at the meeting:

Doug N8PYN          Steven KD8VAT          Edmund KE8EXE

## **VI. GMARC Web Site – Frank W8FKZ**

The GMARC Web Site has been completely redone in WordPress by Frank W8FKZ. The new web site is very aesthetic and it should be much easier to maintain the pages in the new system. Frank would like us to send pictures to him that can be used on the Web Site ([FrankSonye@comcast.net](mailto:FrankSonye@comcast.net)).

## **VII. Inter-Club Liaison – Bobby N8CY**

**Kalamazoo Hamfest & Swap 16-Oct-16 Sunday 8:00 AM**  
**USECA Hamfest & Swap 30-Oct-16 Sunday 8:00 AM Madison Hts, MI**  
**L'Anse Creuse Hamfest & Swap 04-Dec-15 Sunday 8:00 AM Madison Hts, MI**

GMARC has again been requested to provide Emergency Communications for the Scare Away Hunger Walk on Sunday 23-Oct-2016. Volunteer check-in is at 2:00 PM, and the race will begin at 3:00 PM. The location is at Rochester College – NW corner for Rochester Rd and Avon Rd. Volunteers at the Scare Away Hunger Walk were:

Marty KB8JIU	Charlene KC8PIC	Scott W1BC	Bruce KD8MFR
Bobby N8CY	Prem AC8QV		

## **VIII. Technical Committee Report – Mike W8MJC**

We need to re-create that cable that allows the CAT-1000 controllers to “link” the 2m and 440-MHz repeaters. Scott W1BIC talked to the CAT-1000 guy, and he pointed us to a guy in AL that can make an inter-connect cable. 123.net is an ISP that is right below us in radio room. Scott asked them to provide an internet port so we can control our repeaters out-of-band. They stated they are willing to do this but we need to be 501(c)(3) for them to make donation.

Bill N8SA suggested that we initiate a GoFundMe.com request to buy a new Yaesu digital repeater for approx. \$1,000.

The 2m duplexers have been re-done. P.A. is working – 90-watts into the antenna, 95-watts on UHF. There appears to be a controller issues.

## **IX. GMARC Embroidered Logo Gear**

Frank W8FKZ requested an XL Gray Shirt. Tony W8OKX requested an XXL Gray Shirt. Mike W8MJC requested an XL Blue Shirt, Richard requested a M Lt. Blue Shirt and Bill W8DBG requested an L Blue Shirt. Bill N8SA requested an XXL Blue Shirt. Scott WBIC requested an XL Jacket, Mike W8MJC requested an XL Jacket, Ken KD8UXW requested an L Jacket, and Tony WA2IVO requested an L Jacket -- all Royal Blue. We will need to order (4) items in each category (e.g. shirt / hat / jacket) to place an order.

The following members ordered GMARC Caps: Linda KD8SAI, Richard KC8HMJ, Dick KE8BFF, Bill N8SA, and Mike W8MJC.

The embroidered gear is in. Prices have gone up. It looks like shirts will be \$28, Jackets \$43, and Caps \$8. Some embroidered gear was picked-up at the USECA swap. The remaining items will be available at the November meeting.

**X. Old / New Business**

State H.R. 5867 (Distracted Driving Bill) is working its way through the House. We are seeking an exemption for Amateur Radio.

Robbin K1KNN suggested that GMARC hold a full swap at Packard Proving Grounds in the Spring.

**XI. Attendance + Funds Collected**

2 Members attended. There was (1) visitors.

The following funds were collected but not delivered to the Treasurer:

Membership Dues	\$ 60.00	
Coffee Fund	11.00	
50/50 Raffle	<u>16.00</u>	- Mike W8MJC won the Raffle
Total --	\$ 87.00	

**Upcoming Events for GMARC:**

- Kalamazoo Hamfest & Swap** 16-Oct-16 Sunday 8:00 AM
- Next Membership Meeting** 15-Nov-16 7:00 PM Tuesday
- Scare Away Hunger Walk** 23-Oct-16 Sunday 2:00 PM – Rochester College  
NW Corner of Rochester Rd & Avon Rd
- USECA Hamfest & Swap** 30-Oct-16 Sunday 8:00 AM Madison Hts, MI
- L’Anse Creuse Hamfest & Swap** 04-Dec-16 Sunday 8:00 AM Madison Hts, MI
- Hazel Park Swap** 29-Jan-17 Sunday 8:00 AM Madison Hts, MI
- Livonia ARC Swap & Shop** 19-Feb-17 Sunday 8:00 AM Livonia, MI

**XII. Meeting Adjourned** at 8:58 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bobby Corr – N8CY  
Secretary – GMARC

**GMARC Treasurer's Report**

November 15, 2016 (Pro-Forma)

Last Statement Balance 18-Oct-2016	\$3,127.47
Membership Dues	100.00
Coffee Fund	11.00
50/50 Raffle	<u>16.00</u>

November Bank Balance -- \$3,254.47

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# Agenda

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**I. Call to Order – Marty KB8JIU Presiding**

**II. Introductions, Upgrades, and Visitors**

**III. Minutes – Bobby N8CY (Motion to Approve)**

**IV. Treasurer's Report – Page 4 of Minutes – Bobby N8CY (Motion to Approve)**

**V. Membership Report – Scott W1BIC**

**VI. Inter-Club Liaison – Bobby N8CY**

**VII. Technical Committee Report – Ray W8PIE**

**Status of request for help with our repeaters by Mike W8MJC.**

**VIII. GMARC Embroidered Logo Gear (See Minutes) – Bobby N8CY**

**IX. Nominations for 2017 Officers and Directors**

**President  
Vice-President  
Secretary  
Treasurer  
(2) Directors-at-Large**

**X. Old Business**

**HR 1301 Status – Robbin K1KNN**

**HR 5867 (State) Status – Robbin K1KNN**

**XI. Break – (7:45 – 8:00 PM)**

**50/50 Prize Raffle**

**XII. 8:00 PM Presentation – “Electrical Grid & Inter-connections” – Bill N8SA**

- Bill N8SA will make a presentation on the Electrical Grid & its Inter-connections

**XIII. Adjourn (Before 9:00 PM)**