GMARC MEETING MINUTES 15-JAN-2019

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I. Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance by the President, Scott W1BIC at 7:10 PM.

II. Introductions, Upgrades, and Visitors

There was 1 Visitor - John KA2IBE

III. Presentation - Ham Shack Grounding - Bill N8SA

Bill N8SA made an interesting and informative presentation on Surge and RF Grounding for your Ham Shack.

IV. Minutes - Bobby N8CY

Minutes of the 18-Dec-2018 meeting were available at the meeting and on the Web Site. Motion to approve minutes by Richard KC8HMJ, and seconded by Ken N8COQ. Motion passed unanimously.

V. Treasurer's Report - Don K7SDF

There was no Treasurer's Report given. Bank Balance was \$5,931.26 + \$123.83 in PayPal as of this meeting.

VI. Membership Report - Bobby N8CY

We have **221** members who have paid their 2017/2018 dues (including **90** who have paid their 2019 dues), and **48** Heritage Members.

The following person joined the club by purchasing raffle tickets:

John KA2IBE paid \$10 (Still owes \$10)

VII. GMARC Technology Expo

The GMARC Technology Expo will be Sunday, April 7, 2019. Motion to change the start time from 10:00 AM to 9:00 AM by Peter KD8OAN and seconded by Ron WD8MNX. Motion carried unanimously.

GMARC Members (with Badge) are admitted FREE!

Set-up for Vendors will be available beginning @ 6:30 AM.

VIII. 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 (<u>W8FKZ@comcast.net</u>).

IX. Inter-Club Liaison - Bobby N8CY

Livonia 49th Annual Swap GMARC Technology Expo Dayton Hamvention 17-Feb-2019 Sunday 8:00 AM – Livonia Civic Park Senior Ctr 7-Apr-2019 Sunday 10:00 AM – UFCW 876 Union Hall May 17-19, 2019 Fri-Sun 8:00 AM – Green County Fairgrounds Tickets: \$22 Advance, \$27 At Gate Dayton, OH

X. Technical Committee Report - Ron WD8MNX

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Ron gave the status of our 2 Repeaters. We replaced the power supply for the UHF repeater and doubled its capacity. The new ERP for the 443.075 Repeater is 1,192 watts!

XI. Old / New Business

Marty KB8JIU will make a presentation on **Broadcastify** in February. The Chicago P.D. is the most popular listening site. This system is based on a Dark Ice/Raspberry Pi Duo and has archiving of traffic on the Web Site. The WW8GM 443.075 MHz Repeater is streaming and archived @ Broadcastify.com.

GMARC has submitted and application to ARRL to renew our SSC status for 2019-2021.

A discussion was had about purchasing an Antenna Analyzer for use by Club members – approximate cost \$430. A decision was deferred to the February meeting.

XII. Attendance + Funds Collected

17 Members attended. There was 1 visitor. 20 watched live stream on Facebook.com

The following funds were collected and deposited @ TCF Bank.

Raffle Tickets \$ 10.00 KA2IBE

Upcoming Events for GMARC:

Next Membership Meeting Livonia 49th Annual Swap GMARC Technology Expo Dayton Hamvention 19-Feb-18 Tuesday 7:00 PM (Packard Proving Grounds)
17-Feb-2019 Sunday 8:00 AM – Livonia Civic Park Senior Ctr
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XIII. Meeting Adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bobby Corr N8CY, Secretary **GM Amateur Radio Club** Cell: 248.346.2733

Agenda

To Be held @ Packard Proving Grounds (PPG) February 19, 2018 - 7:00 PM

- I. Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance President Scott W1BIC Presiding
- II. Introductions, Upgrades, and Visitors
- III. Presentation Broadcastify Marty KB8JIU
 - The date for the 2019 Technology Expo will be 7-Apr-2019 Establish Start Time.
- IV. Minutes of December Meeting (Motion to Approve)
- V. Treasurer's Report Don K7SDF Bank Balance \$x,xxx.xx √ Not including \$xxx.xx @ PayPal. (Motion to Approve). This includes \$100.00 from the Hazel Park Swap.
- VI. Membership Report Scott W1BIC
 - Regular Members who have paid 2018/2019 dues: 227, Heritage Members: 49
- VII. Purchase of an Antenna Analyzer for use by Club members.
- VIII. Inter-Club Liaison Scott W1BIC

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- IX. Technical Committee Report Ron WD8MNX
- X. Break (8:00 8:15 PM)
- XI. Old/New Business
- XII. Adjourn (Before 9:00 PM)