A meeting of Twin State Radio Club was held at Mickey's Cafe on Saturday, April 13. The meeting opened at 9:02 AM. A quorum of at least 20% was present with 17/35 voting members present. Officers present: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, License Trustee

## President's Report: Dan MacMartin, AD1HD

- Introductions
- Three big topics Field Day, Trailer, Antenna forum

## VP Report: David McGaw, N1HAC

- It's our annual antenna forum today!
- Show and tell of antennas.
- May's presentation: parks and summits on the air.

## **Treasurer's Report: Dave Colter WA1ZCN**

As of (March 9):

Checking: \$1,824.67

• Savings: \$14,365.15

• CD: \$15,000

Activity this month/ etc.

- \$744 dues + 2 (Annual)
- \$966 taken in last year
- Motion to accept Treasurer's report- Ed AB1XQ, Clyde KA1BSZ seconded. Motion passes.

## Secretary's Report: Nicole DeShone KE8DHM

 Motion to accept March minutes as amended by email over the list serve, by David N1HAC and seconded by Clyde KA1BSZ. Motion passed.

Trailer report: Allen Bradford AE1H

- Trailer committee meeting after club meet.
- Ed has been working hard on the design of the trailer.

## Repeater committee: David McGaw, Dave Colter

- Repeater is a little under the weather. N1HAC to give it some TLC next few days.
- 440 is turned off due to interference with 2M. It's causing the repeater to go through a loop and key itself up. The filter needs to be blown out again and have the crystal whiskers taken out.
- Echolink instructions on the website.
- Strafford repeater taken a back seat. Need to find the controller, connectors, and crimps.

## **Education committee: Ray WA10RT**

- We are working towards the fall for this. We'll discuss advertisement soon.
- Class will be in October. We are looking for VEs.
- There's a push to get more VEs in the club. Ray is going to set up a session to help more club members become VEs.
- We are working on locations for the class and the test.

## Old and ongoing business:

#### Trailer:

- Need to reimburse Allen AE1H for the trailers and insurance going forward
- Insurance \$235.25
- \$102 Support trailer registration for this year will go down each year for a while
- Vanity plates \$40 a piece
- \$337.45 to pay Alan Ray WA1ORT made the motion, Clyde KA1BSZ seconded. Motion passes.

- Cost to build out the trailer coming along. The maximum we will spend would be \$5,500. Some is duplicated.
- Authorization to spend \$5,500 on the construction of the trailer. Motion made by Ray, seconded by Gordon AB1SK.
- Need to make a list of people who can tow the new trailer.

### Field day: June 22, 23rd.

- · We have Richmond Middle School's playing fields again this year
- Going to move trailers over on Friday this year to start setting up.
- We are going to run 400' of antennas
- We are planning on operating in class 6A
- Planning on 40 and 80m operation on both phone and CW. CW and digital will be in one trailer, phone will be in another.
- We have the field from 12:00 PM Friday to 5:00 PM Sunday.
- Need to make more dipole antennas. Dave WA1ZCN will be building them with 1:1 current baluns. Motion made to authorize up to \$100 for the antennas. Motion made by David N1HAC, seconded by Allen AE1H.

### **Prouty:**

• The new club call sign came in for APRS tracker use - KC1LFU

#### **NEARFEST:**

- Dave Colter We're not going to go in early. Might be looking for a high and dry spot on the lower field. Our current spot is under the powerlines.
- Will be looking for people to help out.

#### **Covered Bridge Marathon - Woodstock into Quechee:**

- The CVFMA and police will be using our trailer for this event
- HAM net control was well received

## **Vermont 100 - weekend after Prouty:**

- Comm trailer will be used by CVFMA net control again this year
- Need club personnel in the trailer the whole time.
- July meeting is that same weekend. 30 hour event. Interested in supporting? Talk to Ed.

# Nominating Committee: Railroad Committee/Draft Board:

- All officers have agreed to run again
- Anyone else interested in running for office should contact AE1H to get their name on the list.
  Meeting adjourned at 10:07.

Respectfully submitted, Nichole DeShone, KE8DHM, Secretary