ECARC – 8/16/2016 – Meeting Minutes

Dave, KB9WPC called the meeting to order about 6:40 PM. 10 members and guests were present.

Meeting minutes were read by Ron, KC9PKO. There was one correction requested. Motion made and seconded to approve meeting minutes as corrected. Motion passed unanimously.

Ron, W9RLL read a detailed treasurer's report. The club is in "good shape". Motion was made and seconded to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS

The 2017 ECARC Annual Auction was discussed. Consensus of everyone present was to do the auction again. Date is to be determined. Mark, KB9S or Paul, K0AIH will check the 2017 calendar for conflicting events and decide on a date. (When is QSO Party?) ARRL will be made aware of the date early to get the date on their calendar. We will check on availability of Saving Grace Facility and then contact Men of Grace for their help. Col. Severson will be also be contacted to make sure he could help us out again. More details will be discussed at the next meeting.

<u>UPCOMING EVENTS</u>

Eau Claire County Warning Siren testing continues in and around Eau Claire. Dave KB9WPC will continue to host the ECARC net. Next siren test will take place at 11:00 AM on Monday, September 5th (Labor Day). Check in with Dave, no later than 10:45 AM. The net will be on the 146.910 repeater. There continues to be emphasis on witnessing the operation of the sirens in Fairchild, Fall Creek, Augusta and Altoona. Dave recommended that you should check in early if possible to be able take one of these outlying sirens. The "in town" sirens are self reporting, but there are mixed reviews on how that is working, so please continue to check in for the Eau Claire sirens if you can. Thanks to all of you who helped in the past.

"Radio Expo 2016" will be held September 24, 2016 near Belvedere, Illinois at the Boone County Fairgrounds. Contact Ron, W9RLL to get a discount for lodging in the area of the swap meet. This is great event. Check out the website or Email <u>WA90RC@gmail.com</u> for more information. Talk in is 147.225 – PL 114.8.

The next Ham Examination session in the Eau Claire area is scheduled for October 8th, 2016. Jon, KE9KW and Diane, K9DMC are volunteer examiners. Examination will be held at the L.E. Phillips Senior Center and will begin at 9:00 AM CDT. Walk-ins are always welcome.

Meeting adjourned at about 7:15PM.

After the meeting, there were treats for all. Also after the meeting, Ron notified Dave that due to some conflicts he would not be able to attend meetings in the future. A replacement will need to be found.

Program for the next meeting will be additional discussion and planning for the Annual Auction and the QSO Party. Will also discuss replacement for club secretary.

Next Meeting will be at 6:30 PM, September 20th, 2016 at the Saving Grace Facilities in the East Ridge Center.

Hope you can make it....Ron KC9PKO