Indianapolis Repeater Association, Inc. Board Meeting September 25, 2017

The board meeting, held at TGI Friday's, was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by board President Mike Palmer.

Those in attendance:

Board members: Mike Palmer, Bob Burns, Andy Young, Frank Hughes, Mark Burke, Tony Stokes

Others attending: K.C. Corbin and Gloria Palmer

Minutes from the August 28th, 2017 board meeting was presented to the group for their review. Motion by Tony to accept the minutes as presented. Seconded by Mark. All agreed.

The treasurers report reflecting transactions through August 2017 were presented to the group. Mark made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Frank seconded. All agreed.

Old Business:

- 146.625 Repeater
 - An MOU needs to be written for the co-habitation of IRA owned equipment with the Marion County EMA owned equipment and antenna sharing (Mike Palmer)
- 147.120 Repeater
 - Trying to gain site access to investigate cause of Auto-Patch not working.
 - Mike has not been able to get scheduled a time to be onsite to diagnose the issue.
- 443.850 Repeater
 - Repeater was removed and is in the possession of W9BU for tech review of low audio output
 - o It may be time to replace the duplexer's.
 - Bob suggests placing repeater back in service with Bob's set of duplexers without the preamp and power amp. Does this setup make a difference? This will help with the process of elimination to determine what the issue may be.
 - Mike or Bob will investigate the cost of new duplexer's, if this seems to help resolve the issue.
- N9FEB to purchase new Kenwood TKR-751 Repeater to be used as a back-up
 - o Cardinal Radio has it for \$1275 with Power Supply

- Mike will proceed to purchase, and request it be pre-tuned as we need.
- 146.70 Receiver performance
 - Bob presented some thoughts about the receiver performance of the 146.70 machine.

New Business:

- A request has been made from the Treasurer to allow the publication of IRA members (name and e-mail) on the W9IRA website. An email tally of the Board Members has been made, discussion has been had, and Approval is now authorized.
- A request has been made from the Treasurer to allow the publication of IRA minutes on the W9IRA website. An email tally of the Board Members has been made, discussion has been had, and Approval is now authorized.
 - Tony has volunteered to assist with reviewing the minutes while he has some "down" time.
- Discussion has been had regarding IRA Repeater Usage Guidelines regarding the discussions of a Political or Religious nature. An email tally of the Board Members has been made, discussion has been had, and Approval is now authorized using the language below:
 - While discussions such as politics or religion are not prohibited in amateur radio, we must recognize that individual opinions may not be shared by everyone. Please keep all conversations on our repeaters balanced, with controlled discussions, and open to alternative options.

Open Forum

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Motion to adjourn by Frank. Seconded by Tony. All agreed

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted Andy Young, W9CYU