

Indianapolis Repeater Association, Inc.
Board Meeting
March 26, 2018

The board meeting, held at Shallo's Antique Restaurant, was called to order at 6:33 p.m. by board President Tony Stokes.

Those in attendance:

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

Others attending: K.C. Corbin, Gloria Palmer

Minutes from the February 26, 2018 board meeting was presented to the group for their review. Motion by Mike to accept the minutes as presented. Seconded by Mark. All agreed.

The treasurers report reflecting transactions through February 2018 were presented to the group. Mike made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Frank seconded. All agreed. It was noted that the number of members is down this year. The board secretary mentioned that he will send another email to the group, specifically noting that the 146.70 has been replaced, additional equipment is being procured and noting that their funds have been used.

Old Business:

- 146.625 Repeater
 - o An MOU needs to be written for the co-habitation of IRA owned equipment with the Marion County EMA owned equipment and antenna sharing
 - o No update, at this time.

- 146.700
 - o New Duplexer has been installed. The Power Amp has been taken off-line. In discussions with a past board member, some of the equipment that is/was in place is 30+ years old.
 - o Mike Palmer made a motion to purchase a new Power Amp. Estimated cost of \$750. Frank seconds. All agree. Bob will research and forward information to the board.
 - o Mike and Bob will discuss/review what to do with old duplexer.

- 147.120 Repeater
 - o Auto-patch not working; trying to gain site access.

- 443.850 Repeater
 - o Repeater replaced with controller and 'temporary' duplexers. Things seemed to be working well while at the repeater facility. However, the further you get from the repeater, the worse the repeater sounds.

- While at the facility, both antennas were analyzed and we believe that there is either an issue with the 70cm antenna or the coax. To fully test, a climber would need to be hired to allow for further testing.
- A quick review for an antenna is approx. \$800, plus a similar amount for cable.
- We will be discussing w/ Roberta at WTHR to see if there is some way that we could utilize a climber to help assist with inspecting the equipment (antenna and cabling).
- The board agrees that we need additional information to formulate a plan to move forward.

New Business:

- Update FCC & Indiana Repeater Council w/ trustee change?
Frank has not completed this task at this time.
Need to send updated copy of license to Roberta at WTHR
- John Willenbrock called Mike Palmer, fully understanding why we changed repeater trustee's.
- Financial Audit Committee update
Information has not been distributed to group yet.
- Mike will be in touch with the Secretary regarding signs being placed on the WTHR equipment cabinets to display ownership and contact information.

Open Forum

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Andy Young,
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