

Indianapolis Repeater Association, Inc.
Board Meeting
September 23, 2019

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

Those in attendance:

Board members: Frank Hughes, Rhonda Curtis, Andy Young, Noel Mortier, Mark Burke, Mike Palmer

Others attending: K C Corbin, John House and Gloria Palmer

Minutes from the August 2019 meeting were presented to the group for their review. Motion by Mark to accept the minutes as corrected. Seconded by Frank. All agreed

The treasurers report reflecting transactions through 9/23/2019, were presented to the group. Rhonda made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Noel seconded. All agreed.

Old Business:

- 147.120 Repeater
 - o Reprogram Controller - N9BA/Tech group
 - o MOU Needs to be written for the co-habitation of the IRA equipment w/ IPL
 - Contact: Darrell Sisson KC9CND 317-318-0150
 - Voice Mail messages have been left with no response
 - Will continue attempts to reach Darrell
- 146.700 Repeater
 - o Power output down? Need to investigate while on-site
 - o Range seems to be down
- 443.85 Repeater
 - o Bob has a preamp w/ tuned cavities which should be installed on this repeater, plus add in the PA, during the next site visit.
- Updates on W9BU repayment Plan for tower work
 - o No change – Bob is still due approximately \$395.20 – see note above
- Revenue
 - o Reminder to past members discussing recent repeater upgrades
 - o Contacting regular non-member users of repeater urging for their support
 - o Kroger Card/Amazon Smile
 - o Other ideas?
- CERT Net Updates
 - o Switched over to the 146.76 from the 443.85, working out well
- W9ICE/Skywarn updates
 - o The 220 machine will be off the air soon

- WTHR New Ownership
 - o No update
- Repeater Interference
 - o No issues have been noticed recently

New Business:

- KB9RZ – had requested being able to use the 146.700, after being kicked off the repeater for 8 years.
The board voted via email to continue the ban so that KB9RZ is still kicked off all W9IRA repeaters.
- Email from Tim DeLong regarding a rumor that all W9IRA repeaters now required paid membership. Send an email to Tim noting that our machines are free for all to use; however, donations are gladly accepted.
- Mike had lunch w/ 146.52 Simplexers group. The Lawrence Public Safety is moving to a new facility and the 443.25 machine will be losing its home.
- Monumental Marathon will not be supported by local Amateur Radio due to unable to find another coordinator.

Open Forum

- Bedford Hamfest coming up on October 5th.
- October 5th is the Indianapolis Half Marathon.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Frank. Seconded by Rhonda.
Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Andy Young, W9CYU