## 05/13/20 ARES/RACES/SIARC MEETING

- 1. KB2NCI Tom
- 2. KD2LGE Doug
- 3. W2ODD Todd
- 4. KD2TOR Max CHECKED OUT
- 5. WB2VMR Steve
- 6. N2IZV Russ
- 7. KD2LGM Mickey
- 8. KB2KBY Dave
- 9. KD2PER Pat
- 10. WA2SSJ John
- 11. KD2AVK James
- 12. N0EK Ed
- 13. KC2TCM Jay
- 14. N2EZY Dave
- 15. N2CT/Mobile Bill
- 16. N2UMH Scott
- 17. KA2HQZ Sandy
- 18. N2VCY Ed
- 19. K2VJK- (city pier)-Vern
- 20. KD2LBM Dan
- 21. W2WDS Dean
- 22. W2WES Wes
- 23. W2SCL Scott

MINUTES: CALLED TO ORDER 7:30 ON THE K2BWK 146.820 REPEATER. TOM COVERED SECY AND TREASURER'S REPORT FROM LAST MEETING. \$1882.92 in Treasury per Stan.

WB2VMR:

REPORT ON MOTOROLA HT BATCH TO RACES, ADDED BATTERIES, ANTENNA CONNECTORS, PLAN WAS TO UPGRADE 442 REPEATER AND TO USE THAT FOR RACES EVENTS IN FUTURE. ALL PURCHASED MATERIAL, INCLUDING CASES, IS NOW RECEIVED. PLAN ISTO ASSEMBLE ALL OF THEM, AND THEN ASSIGN TO RACES MEMBERS TO KEEP AT HOME IN CASE OF CALLOUT. NEED TO GET GROUP TOGETHER TO DO THAT. ALSO WORKING ON INTERFACE SO FLDIGI COULD BE RUN THROUGH THE SE UNITS.

N2IZV:

TONIGHT'S EXAMS CANCELLED DUE TO BUILDING'S BEING CLOSED. FIRST SIARC SESSION COULD BE FIRST ONE IN LONG TIME AROUND THIS AREA. IN WHICH CASE MANY CANDIDATES COULD SHOW UP AT FIELD DAY. MAY NEED HEALTH DEPT GUIDANCE, DEPENDING ON WHERE IT IS. TOM NOTED ZOOM MEETING ON FD A WHILE BACK; SITE IS STILL UP IN THE AIR. EOC IS RESERVED IF IT CAN BE USED. REDUCED SETUP. MAYBE COUPLE DIPOLES AND A VERTICAL, MAYBE 4 STATIONS, NO TENT BECAUSE IT'S CONFINING, ETC. HAVE 15-20 LOOKING FOR INFO ON TEST SESSIONS NOW, PER N2IZV. AT LEAST 10 VE NEEDED, DEPENDING ON WHETHER EMO IS OPEN AND ROOM AVAILABLE. TOM SAYS HE'LL CONTACT EOC FIRST WEEK IN JUNE. CORTLAND HAMFEST JUNE 13 AND MAY HAVE VE TESTING. EXTRA CLASS QUESTION POOL CHANGING END OF JUNE; THAT MAY CAUSE A RUSH. N2IZV SAYS ROCHESTER GROUPS AREN'T ENTHUSED ABOUT DOING THE SMALL GROUP, ONE ON ONE, SORT OF TESTING. ON LINE TESTING MAY BE AVAILABLE VIA ALASKA; LIST OF POTENTIAL OBSERVERS IS PRETTY EXTENSIVE. ALASKA MAY BE ONLY STATE DOING IT. N0EK OFFERS HELP AS VE. N2IZV WILL HAVE NEW OUESTION POOL FOR EXTRA READY TO GO IN JULY, AND THINKS THE ONLINE RESOURCES AND BOOKS WILL BE READY IN TIMELY FASHION. N2IZV@OUTLOOK.COM.

RACES REPORT: WA2SSJ READ EMAILS FROM RADIO OFFICER SCOTT, N2UMH, AND EMD DIRECTOR JEFF HARLOFF, FROM SCOTT: Beyond that however, it is probably best we maintain a low profile and be ready to respond if needed. So far things are stable but I am concerned the voluntary lay off staff going to make everyone jumpy. All departments will be reducing staff while the State starts to open back up on Friday. More people will also be recalled from home starting next week, so things are going to start to get messy.<sup>†</sup>

## AND FROM JEFF HARLOFF:

Nothing new yet with the budget for 2020 or 2021 yet. Each Department had to identify a reduction by 5%. Work Force Reduction continues with over 50% of the County work force not working in County Buildings. NY Pause continues through June 6, 2020 so County Buildings are still closed to the Public. Temporary Layoffs will start as soon as next week (I think). Interested employees had to apply to HR. If the employee was approved it would run through July 28, 2020. 2021 Budget year looks very difficult at this time. It is great that you have so many RACES people remaining active this all of this.

LATER CHECKIN FROM N2UMH: LOOKING TO START DOING SOME VIRTUAL TRAINING, HOPEFULLY SOON, TO MAKE UP FOR CANCELLED PUBLIC SERVICE EVENTS.

KC2TCM

RE FIELD DAY: STILL UP IN AIR, NOT SURE HOW IT'LL PLAY OUT YET.

KB2NCI: REMINDER OF HEALTH AND WELFARE NET ON THIS REPEATER AT 8 PM MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY.

CORTLAND HAMFEST CANCELLED, TRY UPSTATEHAM.COM FOR LIST OF HAMFESTS. CAMP DITTMER PHELPS JUNE 13 AND 14 MAY OCCUR AS WELL. TOUR DE CURE WAS PUSHED TO OCTOBER AND NOW IS GOING TO BE VIRTUAL, IE NO NEED FOR HAMS. *Cortland Hamfest has been CANCELLED for 2020.* 

W2ODD ON SHORTSVILLE FIREMAN'S PARADE: HAVEN'T HEARD ANYTHING YET, MEETING FOR JUNE 2 MAY HAVE DECISION; WILL LET ALL KNOW.

KB2NCI: LET CLUB KNOW IF IT CAN HELP YOU OUT; JUNE MEETING STILL UP IN AIR, WATCH EMAIL AND SMOKE SIGNAL FOR DETAILS.

MEETING CONCLUDED AT 8:10 PM.