SIARC MEETING NOTES FOR NOVEMBER 8, 2017

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

At 7:43 with 25 in attendance. After a brief introduction of guests, the October minutes were read by club secretary Ray Dreimiller Sr. AB2UY and were accepted and entered into record with the following corrections:

- -MT 63 not MP 63
- -The 146.82 repeater is not repaired yet

TREASURES REPORT:

Club treasurer Stan Avery WM3D reports that the club account now stands at \$3,532.90. Stan also made note of the fact that Mike Maynard wanted to pay for a family membership which would include his two young sons Wesley and Calvin whom just attended our VE session with Calvin passing the technician test and Wesley upgraded to general class.

VE REPORT:

10 persons attended the VE session and 7 passed. 2 General & 5 Technicians.

146.82 REPEATER:

John Park WA2SSJ reports that there has been a rumor that the VA is trying to sell commercial antenna space on their tower. John made note that our club has operated antenna and repeater space on the tower between 40-50 years and in that time we have never been able to obtain official sanction from the VA. Out of frustration and fear of losing the location of our 146.82 repeater; it was suggested that we make an attempt to contact one of the directors of the VA which John did. In the initial conversation John learned that as a young boy the director's Uncle was a ham years ago and that he was sympathetic to our club's repeater remaining there; it being an essential asset not only to our club but also to the overall security of the area in the event of an emergency. The happy outcome of all this was a legal contract license agreement which was sent to us which would enable us to stay in the tower for the next 5 years at no cost. The license will be in SIARC's name in care of the Ontario County Emergency Management. The expiration date will be in 2022. The club then took a vote and ratified that Tom Sanders be the club officer to sign the above said contract with the VA.

145.45 REPEATER:

Steve Benton WV2VMR reports the repeater is still down but headway is being made on its repair and return to service.

SIARC WEBSITE:

Steve Sykes manages the SIARC website along with being our repeater trustee. The cost with the current carrier has been \$125 for 3 years. A bill just arrived for \$288 for the next 3 years. To keep our

costs down and to earn the admiration and praise of our club treasurer (Penny Pincher) Stan Avery we have contracted with HOSTINGS 24.

PUMPKIN PATROL 2017:

Dave Taylor expressed thanks to all who donated their help and time for another smooth and successful pumpkin patrol with an additional thanks for those who served for two nights.

SURVEY SHEET:

At the beginning of the meeting a survey sheet was handed out to members. Dave Hunter N2EZY explained that the goal of the sheet is to get members to express their individual interest for club activities but moreover to ask questions in areas that they are uncertain so as a club we can put together programs where persons with expertise can answer and provide education in these areas.

NEXT YEARS ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS:

In the year to come it would be great as a group to sponsor Special Event Stations like we have in the past like Squaw Island, National Parks On the Air; or even HF contesting at the EOC. We did a 60th Club anniversary special event and now that we are coming up on our 65th anniversary it would be nice to do the same. So this being a club; we are always interested in any ideas to consider.

CLUB CHIRSTMAS PARTY:

This year's party will be held on Wednesday December 13th at 7pm at the Antique Wireless Museum on Routes 5&20 East Bloomfield. Pizza and liquid refreshments will be provided by the club and you are welcome to bring a dish to pass.

SKYWARN RECONIGATION DAY:

To be held Friday December1st 7pm to Saturday December 2nd 7pm 24 hours at the Buffalo National Weather Service Office. We generally get there at 8am Saturday and anyone interested can car pool. Get ahold of Tom Sanders. There will be Skywarn training next Wednesday night 6:30 pm at the County Complex. It is open to the public.

JANUARY CLUB MEETING:

After a brief business meeting it will be our annual club flea market where you can bring in and sell, trade, give or whatever your surplus or unwanted equipment.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 followed by an informal program of show and tell of members GO KITS.

Minutes submitted by club secretary Ray Dreimiller Sr. AB2UY

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Calvin Maynard

Ray Dreimiller SR. AB2UY	Stan Avery WM3D	Dean Stahlman W2WDS
Tom Sanders KB2NCI	Jay Hamill KC2TCM	James Rosato KD2AVK
Russ Harris N2IZV	Steve Benton WB2VMR	Dan McGregor KD2LBM
Dave Hunter N2EZY	Tony Golumbeck KD2HNI	Sabrina Hamill WD2STK
Sandy Federico KA2HQZ	Norm Schrader WB2GGM	Bob Hess KD2GMX
Todd Coon KD2ODD	John Park WA2SSJ	Mike Moore KC2NM
Mike Maynard KD2IFF	David Reussow KC2DQS	Wes Mills W2WES
Vern Kunes K2VJK	Robert Dugan KD2KOR	Wesley Maynard N2WES