

MINUTES OF THE CARS MEETING
MAY 19, 2009

Meeting was called to order at 1910 hours by Tim, WD8PMD.

Those members present were:

Jack KZ6ZZ, Dick, KA8VLN, Harmon, N8RDP, Jim, N8RWK, Fred, KD8IXP, Lee, KA8VMJ, Bill, KD8AAD, Jim, K8EXF, Mark, N8CDK, Tim, WD8PMD, Bob, N8JFH, Dennis, KC8IJZ, Steve, KD8HIW, Rosemary, KI4VO.

A presentation was given by Ray Abraczinskas, "Abe," accompanied by Dan Harger, on the IRA Link repeater system.

The club took a break for refreshments.

Tim thanked Abe for his presentation.

Business Meeting:

Rosemary was given a copy of the Treasurer's report to keep for the club records. Denny said the balance didn't include the payment due for the insurance that the club pays annually.

Net Report: Jim Baker thanked Steve for posting the net operators on the CARS website. Denny will be net control for the net on May 21. Tim reminded members that any club member is eligible to be net control.

VE Report: Fred attended the Dayton Hamfest and was an examiner there. He reported that 57% of the examinees passed the exam on Friday's and Saturday's testing.

Vice President Report: Steve passed out Jackson County Maps that shows the Sunday night net grid location to those who wanted them.

Meeting Room: Next month's meeting will still be held at the County Building, but there may be a change as to what room we will use. The usual room is located down the hall from the possible new meeting place.

Field Day: Next meeting there will be a discussion of the Field Day preparations to be held from June 26-27. A new site has been chosen, the Napoleon Fire Department. There will be a restroom available via the main external doors, and the Chief will be close by to assist if necessary. Secretary will submit letter for approval, rough draft to be given to her by Denny. Jim Baker will attend the next Napoleon Township Board Meeting when the issue of having the Field Day at the Napoleon Fire Department is presented.

Emergency Communications Equipment: For the equipment installed at the Napoleon Fire Department, a Press Release will be needed. Tim will provide the draft and after the approval at the next Board Meeting, the Secretary will finalize the copy and send it out.

Friday Night Breakfast Club: There was in interest in meeting at other restaurants in the area on Friday nights. Steve's Ranch and Milly B's Diner were suggested. Mark or Jack will report to the restaurant chosen for the number of reservations, on Friday afternoons. Steve's Ranch was chosen for the May 22, 2009 meeting. Jack will notify Cherry's that we won't be there this week.

Meeting adjourned at 2050 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rosemary Gunsett, Secretary
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