## WOOD COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS INC May 1, 1990

Meeting called to order by Ken Harris, WA8LLM/UNIT 251 President. There were  $\ref{Main}$  members present.

Minutes from the April 3rd meeting were read and approved.

The Treasure's report was read and approved.

## OLD BUSINESS

The schoolboy regatta, better know as Brundage Regatta was held on April 7th. Those helping to provide the communications were: Karen N8KVU/UNIT 261, Keith KE8WL/UNIT 257, Bill N8JXO, Duane N8LDM/UNIT 260, Fred N8LML/UNIT 262, Ken WA8LLM/UNIT 251, Bill WF8U/UNIT 253, Judy Peterson Unit 255, and Jim WY8F/UNIT 266.

Ray KA8JRT has donated some old radio equipment from the telephone company. There were three Motorola mobiles, nine General Electric Mobiles and various walkie-talkies and chargers.

Law enforcement agencies from Parkersburg, Vienna, State Police, Sheriff's department, and the Department of Nature Resources met at the EOC on April 18th. Emergency Communications Members that were on hand were Ken WA8LLM/UNIT 251 and Bill WF8U/UNIT 253.

The March of Dimes wants to thank the members of Wood County Emergency Communications for providing the communications for the Walk- America again this year. The walk was held April 29th. Those helping to provide the communications were: Keith KE8WL/UNIT 257, Jim WY8F/UNIT 266, Kim N8MAG/UNIT 267, Ken WA8LLM/UNIT 251, Fred N8LML/UNIT 262, Karen N8KVU/UNIT 261, Bob WD8BWD/UNIT 259, Bill WF8U/UNIT 253, Ivan KD8BW/UNIT 263, Dick N8CSR/UNIT 264 and Duane N8LDM/UNIT 260.

The Mid Ohio Valley Amateur Radio Club will be holding their annual Hamfest August 20th.

Bill WF8U/UNIT 253 wanted to remind everyone of the Amateur Radio testing this coming Saturday.

## NEW BUSINESS

The Wood County Emergency Operations center was activated when the Recycling Unlimited building on Gihon Road caught on fire. Bill WF8U/UNIT 253, Ken WA8LLM/UNIT 251, Duane N8LDM/UNIT 260, and Judy Peterson Unit 255 went to the EOC, while Fred N8LML/UNIT 262 went to the scene of the fire.

The Mid Ohio Valley Amateur Radio Club has been contacted by Artsbridge to provide communications for their annual bed race. The club has invited members of Wood County Emergency Communications to help. The Bed Race will be held Saturday June 2 at 1:00 pm downtown between the Court House and the Parkersburg City Building.

Ken WA8LLM/UNIT 251 said he would be out of town for two weeks. He will be attending a telephone company related school in Dallas, Texas starting May 6th.

Jim WY8F/UNIT 266 ask if there was any way that one of the old radios that was donated by the telephone company could be acquired to built another repeater. As communications officer for Wood County Emergency Services, Ken WA8LLM/UNIT 251 told Jim he could have one to build the repeater, as long as it wasn't sold for a profit. If the repeater doesn't get built or is done away with in the future that Emergency Services would like to have it back. Jim agreed.

Ken WA8LLM/UNIT 251 said he was going to write a letter to the South Eastern Repeater Association asking them to consider a Packet Frequency that would be reserved for Emergency, Priority, and time valued traffic.

THOSE IN ATTENDANCE

Ken WA8LLM/UNIT 251, Bill McClure WF8U/UNIT 253