WOOD COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS INC April 2, 1996

Meeting called to order at 7:03 PM by Ken Harris, WA8LLM/Unit 251 President, and Duane Jones N8LDM/Unit 260, RACES Radio Officer. There were 6 members present.

Minutes from the March 5th meeting were read and approved.

The Treasure's report was read and approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Ken WA8LLM Unit 251 gave a report on the new mobile communications vehicle. The new paneling has been installed on the walls, and the driver side wall has been re-attached to the floor. Some electrical outlets have been installed on the back wall. The ceiling panels have been put in place temporarily, they will need to be removed when the installation of the antennas begin. The bath room walls are ready to be installed as soon as the commode, holding tank, and fresh water tank are installed. We have the commode, we're just waiting for the two tanks. Work will start slowing down a little for two reasons, (1) the money is starting to dry up, and (2) activities such as walks, runs, boat, and bike races are beginning. While the Emergency Services advisory council was in session March 27th, they looked over the vehicle and were very impressed.

Two out of the five radios that will be installed in the new vehicle have arrived. Gail Hartshorn, the Emergency Services Director, is looking for other places to get money so he can purchase the other three radios.

Steve Boyles who was wanting us to operate BINGO games at his activity, "Thunder in the Hills" met with some of us at the EOC March 26th and explained what would be needed to be able to operate the games at his activity. After a lengthy discussion it was decided that we should hold off operating the games this year, since we won't have time to get the BINGO license, and it was going to take at least 10 people to help run the games each day. Several people that would like to help was going to out of the area at meetings and other activities.

A report about the code course was given. Aaron, N8NVQ Unit 276

ordered a code course to be used in teaching the code to those who might be interested. A very brief description was how the lessons work was given.

No other work has been done on the vehicle that was given to us by Camden Clark Hospital. It is still at Alan, N8POB's house. We still need to get the city license off of it and give them back to the hospital, and get a letter of thank's given to them. Alan will take the license back to the hospital tomorrow. We need to have Gail Hartshorn pick up the title from the County Commissioners'.

NEW BUSINESS

Ken talked about going to two meetings at Mountwood Park on Thursday March 28th. One of the meetings was for Volcano Days which will be September 27, 28, 29. We will be operating the BINGO games at Volcano Days. The other meeting was for the bike race "Challenge at Mountwood" which will be held May 5th. The organizers of the race would like for us to announce the riders as they approach the finish line. They would also like for us to time the riders if we can do it. There was a discussion on how it might be done. There will be a kids ride at 10:00 am prior to the main race at 12:00 noon. A list was made of those who might be able to help.

There was a lengthy discussion about the schoolboy regatta which will be held April 13th. A list was made of those who might be able to help, and some assignments were made.

THOSE IN ATTENDANCE

Lisa Hendershot KB8UER/Unit 270, Judy Peterson N8UFQ/Unit 255, Ken Harris WA8LLM/Unit 251, Roger McGee KB8QPX/Unit 263, Ken Riffle KB8QPW/Unit 268, Al Harris N8UBG/Unit 1125, Leo Pabst WA8BMA/Unit 259, Sam Mercer N8SVX/Unit 256, Bill Hollandsworth N8KMN/Unit 254, Bob Smith KB8RNE/Unit 264, Alan Currence N8POB/Unit 274, Ruth Anne Oliver KA3PCS/Unit 266, Ann Laign guest, Duane Jones N8LDM/Unit 260.