## WOOD COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS INC June 2, 1998

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by Ken Harris, WA8LLM/Unit 251 President. There were 11 members present.

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

The Treasure's report was read and approved.

## OLD BUSINESS

By-Laws are still in effect with now changes.

Ken WA8LLM explained how the link receiver plug-in cards will be assembled. He says the printed circuit boards are assembled now they just need to be interfaced to the link receivers. This will give us eight UHF Link receivers for eight Remote Receivers, a Maintenance Link Receiver, and a Phone Patch Link Receiver.

Crystals for the UHF Link Transmitters and Receivers are in, they just need to be installed in the radios and the radios tuned up.

Chairs still need to be repaired and painted.

Nothing to report on the insurance.

Triage training will not be pursued any more until further notice.

Very little work was reported on the maps for the hospitals.

Safety Break for July 4th was talked about, the schedule needs to be filled out as soon as possible.

The weather station Radio Frequency Authorization has been FAXed to Ken WA8LLM. The FAX is so bad we can't tell what the Call Sign is, but it is in hand.

Nothing to report on Mobilcom-1.

Scanners for Mobilcom-1 was held off until the trip to Dayton Hamfest was over. There was no scanners found at Dayton so we may go back to Franklin Fire Company in Marietta. Bill Unit 271 said he would check tomorrow on a refrigerator and may go pick one up, if it will fit. Ken KB8QPW said he has not heard about the ones that he has located.

Eastwood VFD Ice Cream Social is June 6th, the tables and chairs need to be taken out, the canopies are already out there.

A letter was hand delivered to Dick Bailey at Mountwood Park. We are ready to go for Field Day. A few of the Field Day rule changes were discussed.

The Club Call has been issued and is in hand. The Call Sign is KC8KGB. The fifty dollar check that was sent to the FCC for the vanity Call Sign has already came back to the bank. At least we know the FCC has got the application for the vanity call of WC8EC.

The BINGO license for Parkersburg Homecoming and Volcano Days has already been issued and in the BINGO file.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Barb UNIT 269 and Bill UNIT 271 are going to work on getting a plaque made up for Leo. A price range of not more than 50 dollars should be paid for the plaque.

Anna KC8JWW made a motion, seconded by Phil KB8GBE to purchase the Ten-Tec Scout 555 HF radio. Three additional band modules and a microphone need to ordered. The radio will be ordered within the week. The cost of the radio will be around \$700. It was suggested to buy two radios "if" we could get a discount on the second radio.

We need four people to help provide the communications for the Triathlon that will be held on Blennerhassett Island June 13th.

We also need about 12 people to provide communications for the 10K Mountain Classic Road Race. The race will be held on June 13th.

W5YI testing will be held 6:00 pm June 13th at the Eastwood Fire Station. Lisa may try to take her General Class written exam.

Pond Creek VFD is holding their OX Roast on June 13th.

Deerwalk VFD is holding their Ice Cream Social June 13th. They need to use our tables and chairs.

Ken WA8LLM explained why some of the members were listed as Auxiliary members.

Ken WA8LLM explained about the use of the tower sites and the cleaning of the sites. He and Judy N8UFQ have already cleaned up the Rockport tower site and some of the Red Hill tower site. He would like to clean up the rest of the Red Hill tower site this weekend if anyone would like to help. Sam N8SVX said that Miller communications is about to purchase new batteries for the Summit Tower site and to keep from having to pay rent for the use of the tower site that we need to help purchase one of the batteries. We talked about the purchasing of the battery several weeks back. Lisa KB8UER made the motion to purchase the battery, seconded by Bill Unit 271.

The River Sweep will be held June 20 and there needs to be four people to help provide communications, one at each clean-up site and one rover..

The meeting place will be changed to Camden Clark Hospital. Meeting dates have been reserved for the next year.

Bob KB8RNE says the Red Cross training will be this coming Friday, June 5th. Anyone wanting to take the EOC training course needs to be there to get signed up.

Ken WA8LLM talked about starting to put together an inventory of what equipment is owned by Wood County Emergency Communications. It will take awhile to get the information together.

## THOSE IN ATTENDANCE

Ken Harris WA8LLM/Unit 251, Judy Peterson N8UFQ/Unit 255, Bob Smith KB8RNE/Unit 264, Ron Hinton KC8IQS/Unit 281, Barb Hinton Unit 269, Bill Burd Unit 271, Phil Newhart KB8GBE/Unit 275, Sam Mercer N8SVX/Unit 256, Lisa Hendershot KB8UER/Unit 270, Anna Hendershot KC8JWW/Unit 262, Ken Riffle KB8QPW/Unit 268,