## WOOD COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS INC August 6, 2002

After the group enjoyed a good picnic at the Parkersburg City Park, a short meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm by Ken Harris, WA8LLM/Unit 251 President. There were 33 members and guests present.

Minutes from the July 2, 2002 meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Terry, KC8AOF, had the new portable Emergency Operations Center trailer at the picnic for show and tell. MOBILCOM-1 was also at the picnic. Those at the picnic had a chance to look over the equipment. Also one County commissioner and two Sheriff Deputies stopped by to look over the vehicles.

Due to the picnic, it was decided to hold off on some of the old business until the next month's meeting, but some of the more important issues were talked about.

Ken, WA8LLM, gave a report on the 147.255 repeater system. He said the Power Amplifier on the old transmitter went out, and didn't have any to replace it. He took the old repeater off the hill and put the voter in the new repeater. He is working bugs out of the new, and hopes to have it back on the hill in the next few weeks. The new repeater is located at his house while he works the bugs out.

Ken, WA8LLM, gave a report on the Federal Surplus. He talked to Valerie Brown, who said that we were not approved for the Federal side of surplus, but they are going to keep trying to get approval. She will call when she gets more information.

There was a reminder of the Volcano Days Pepsi Run on September 28th.

There was a reminder about the W5YI testing on August 10th.

There is a ten county disaster drill in the planning stages. The drill is supposed to be held October 16, 2002.

Ken, WA8LLM, gave a report on a Wetzel County disaster drill. We are the back-up, to the back-up communications for Wetzel County. They would like to have MOBILCOM-1 involved. This will be an all day drill. It is to be held on October 8th, but not for sure.

Ken, WA8LLM, gave a report on the new BINGO trailer. He has the roof and the aluminum siding on it. The trailer was used at the Interstate

Fair & Expo. It still needs to be wired inside and to get the title trasfered to WCEC and get a license.

Ken, WA8LLM, gave a report on the BINGO at the Interstate Fair & Expo.

Ken, WA8LLM, gave a report on the canopy trailer now has a title and a license.

There was a short discussion about getting a vanity license for the PJ2H trailer.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Kirk, KC8JRV, said there are two new weather people at WTAP TV. He said that if you have to call the station with any weather reports, you may have to hold their hand and explain who you are and why you are calling them. He says they are smart, but they just need a little help.

## THOSE IN ATTENDANCE

Judy Peterson N8UFQ/Unit 255, Sam Mercer N8SVX/Unit 256, Lisa Hendershot KB8UER/Unit 270, Anna Hendershot, KC8JWW/Unit 262, Terry Brown KC8AOF/Unit ES-1, Larry Watring KC8TRQ, Duane Jones N8LDM/Unit 260, Ken Riffle KB8QPW/Unit 268, Mike Lott KC8JWR/Unit 267, Cathy Harris KC8DJJ/Unit 257, Paul Brilman KC8UHH, Deane Helmick, Mike davis KC8SIP, Pam Davis, Terry Mills KC8TUE/Unit 289, Harold Dooley N8KO/Unit 266, Jeannia Dooley N8JMD/Unit 269, Jeff Newton N8WQO/Unit 277, Judy Dugan, Ray Johnson KC8RUJ/Unit 292, Carol Myers KC8TUD/Unit 293, Ray Bodie N8TWV/Unit 278, Emily Bodie KB8YPB/Unit 288, Tim Dooley, N8WO Unit 273, Denise Magyarosi-Mills KC8TUF/Unit 290, Krista Mills, Kevin Harris KC8OXY/Unit 253, Addie Boyes, Charlie Helmick W8JZN, Kirk Greefield, KC8JRV/WTAP TV, Ken Harris WA8LLM/Unit 251, Dot Harris KC8HAI/Unit 258,