WOOD COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS INC.
Minutes of August 6, 2019

Before the meeting started the group enjoyed a great picnic. Ken, WA8LLM, wanted to thank everyone for making the picnic a success.

After the picnic was over, a very short Business Meeting was called to order at about 7:30 pm by Ken, WA8LLM. There were 21 members and guests present.

A motion to accept the July 2, 2019 minutes, as they were E-Mailed, and after they were corrected, was made by Matt, KD8WHN, and seconded by Barb, KD8SQY. Motion carried. Printed copies of the minutes and agenda were also available at the meeting.

The Treasures Report was read. A motion to accept the Treasures Report was made by Matt, KD8WHN, and seconded by Dave, N8NWV. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Ken, WA8LLM, said the 147.255 MHz Repeater seems to be working okay. He said that he still needs to get the other code in the controller so that it will identify after 10 minutes.

Terry, KC8TUE, said hasn't heard anything about the donation letters that he has mailed out.

Since Bill, N8JXO, wasn't at the meeting, there was no report on the www.wc8ec.org and www.wc8ec.com websites.

Ken, WA8LLM, said the Communications Trailer was on hold until the September meeting.

Ken, WA8LLM, said the Mountwood 443.175 MHz repeater is on hold until the September meeting.

The Digital Microwave equipment from the Jackson County Office of Emergency Services is still on hold.

Ken, WA8LLM, reminded everyone to keep their ARES registration up-to-date. The ARES forms can be found on the website.

Ken, WA8LLM, reminded those who haven't taken the NIMS ICS 100, 200, 700, and 800 courses, should try to complete them. The courses are accessible through the training link on the www.wc8ec.org and www.wc8ec.com websites.

Ken, WA8LLM, reminded everyone to keep their activities hours up-to-date and turn them in to either himself or Terry, KC8TUE.

Cathy, KC8DJJ, said there hasn't been any fund-raising activities scheduled yet.

Ken, WA8LLM, reminded everyone to have their friends and relatives, try and register their Kroger Card. The groups number is HL113.

The Everbridge system was on hold until the September meeting.

The application for WV Surplus application is on hold for a while.

The old Tyler County was on hold until the September meeting.

Matt, KD8WHN, gave a report on the changing of the county Public Safety frequencies. He said the change of the county fire frequencies has made the system better then it has been. The Sheriff wants to wait about six months to see how the fire system works out before changing the Sheriff's system. The EMS frequencies haven't been planned on changing.

Ken, WA8LLM, reminded everyone who purchases anything from Amazon, they should do it through: smile.amazon.com   WCEC will receive a donation of .5% of all purchases that are eligible without increasing the cost of their merchandise.

Terry, KC8TUE, said that he and Ken, WA8LLM, are planning to make a trip to Columbus on August 19th, the day after the homecoming, to pick up the main prizes and some door prizes for the Hamfest. The Hamfest will be held on October 12th. Ken reminded everyone to try to get door prizes for the Hamfest. Terry has already started sending out E-Mail to vendors asking for donations.

Ken, WA8LLM, said the Paradigm Pipeline class will be held on Tuesday, September 10th at 5:30 pm. If you haven't received your invitation for the class to do some checking on them.

Ken, WA8LLM, said that he talked to Tom Cooper, WV8TOM, about the old Tyler County repeater. Tom said there needs to be some paperwork signed to turn all of the Tyler County repeater, and other assets over to WCEC. Ken will be working with Tom again shortly. A short discussion followed.

Ken, WA8LLM, gave a report on the Amateur Radio and WCEC presentation that was held on Thursday, July 4th, at the Commandery Lodge No. 50, in Marietta.

NEW BUSINESS

Ken, WA8LLM, said he received a telephone call from Sam Vincent about the Cross-Country races that normally are held on the same day as our October meeting. This year the two races will be held on October 8th instead of October 1st. Ken reminded everyone about the Chic-Fil-A Cross Country races to be held on September 7th.

Ken, WA8LLM, said that he received a telephone call about the use of the 24 by 80 foot canopy for a wedding on May 15th, 2020.

Since a lot of people say they want to take a class, but never show up, there was a short

discussion about charging the class fee of $20 before the day of the class. It might cut down on the amount of people who say they want a class, but don't show up. The class fee is to cover the price of the FCC examination, copies of the question pool, and food and drinks. There will be no refund. A short discussion followed.

Ken, WA8LLM, reminded everyone the Parkersburg Homecoming BINGO will be held on August 16th, 17th, 18th. Set up of the canopy, tables, and chairs will be at about 5:00pm on Thursday, August 15th.

There was a reminder the Parkersburg Half Marathon will be held on August 17th. The last couple Mile Markers were assigned.

Dave, N8NWV, made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Rick, WV8DOC. Meeting adjourned at 8:12pm.

THOSE IN ATTENDANCE

Ken Harris WA8LLM/Unit 251, Dot Harris KC8HAI/Unit 258, Cathy Wotring KC8DJJ/Unit 257, Colt Wotring KD8UAC/Unit 266, Kymber Wotring KD8UQR/Unit 267, Terry Mills KC8TUE/Unit 254, Judy Peterson N8UFQ/Unit 255, Anna Hendershot KC8JWW/Unit 263, Jim Peterson, Dave Wright N8NWV/Unit 285, Elma Lang, Rick Sawyer WV8DOC/Unit 262, Kristie Lamp KD8WHM/Unit 264, Matt Lamp KD8WHN/Unit 265, Gabriella Lamp Unit 299G, Nina Yoho KC8PPS/Unit 280, Lisa Hendershot KB8UER/Unit 270, Kendale Peterson KD8QAK/Unit 369, Barbra Nohe KD8SQY/Unit 375, Jeff Scott KC8EEQ/Unit 282, Jim Rose KC8ITI, Kim Rose KC8ITH,