

IRC Meeting Minutes 9 July 2016, Indianapolis Hamfest

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Bob Burns W9BU at 13:30 local time.

The meeting was presided over by Bob (W9BU), Steve (W9SMJ) and Mark (WB9CIF).

Mark (WB9CIF) read the meeting minutes from the November 14, 2015 meeting. The meeting minutes were accepted as read.

Mark (WB9CIF) presented the treasurers report. The IRC currently has \$3,643.95 as of July 9, 2016. The treasurer's report was accepted as read.

Motions to accept both reports were made and seconded and passed by voice vote.

Old Business

Bob (W9BU) discussed the search and review of IRC By-Laws. The original constitution and by-laws from 1971 were located and reviewed. A search was performed to find any proposed changes since 1971. Reprints were discovered from February, 1973 and January, 1978. There was a proposed change in 1997 that was never approved. The IRC officers have determined the 1971 constitution and by-laws remain in effect unchanged.

Bob (W9BU) pointed out that the by-laws allow for full and associate memberships. Associate members have the same rights as full members, but are not allowed to vote on issues brought before the IRC. Full members own or operate a repeater, are a trustee of a repeater or are designated representatives or alternate representatives. Associate members are not associated with any repeater operations, but have an interest in repeater operations.

Steve (W9SMJ) reported on IRC incorporation. The last IRC incorporation filing was in 2004. The officers hired an accountant in late January to assist the officers in filing for re-incorporation. Forms were filed with the state to determine if the IRC had any outstanding state taxes or revenue. The state reported the IRC had no outstanding state taxes or revenues. The re-incorporation forms were then filed with the Secretary of State and the IRC received its re-incorporation on April 29, 2016.

Bill Atkinson (NF9K) announced the new website was up and running and solicited input and comments. Input and comments should be sent to Bill (NF9K) at his e-mail address.

Bob (W9BU) reported on coordination activities.

Bob (W9BU) has taken over the coordination duties for the last six weeks. Dan (N9WNH) was overwhelmed and the IRC officers decided it was time to make a change at Frequency Coordinator position. Bob (W9BU) thanked Dan (N9WNH) for his dedication and service.

Bob (W9BU) has handled all coordination requests since Dan's (N9WNH) departure.

Bob (W9BU) attended the Illinois repeater council meeting. He met Dave Karr the author of CTK (Coordinator's Tool Kit). CTK is the software the IRC uses for coordination. Bob (W9BU)

discussed with Dave what the current version of CTK was and how the IRC could make better use of the software.

Bob (W9BU) discussed, at the meeting, coordination guidelines and interstate coordination with the Illinois and Wisconsin frequency coordinators.

Bob (W9BU) has contacted the Kentucky frequency coordinator and is working with him on interstate coordination between the two states.

Bob (W9BU) has contacted the Ohio frequency coordinator, but has not entered into any dialog on interstate coordination.

Bob (W9BU) reported he was still the frequency coordinator and the IRC officers were looking to move to multiple coordinators and a decision would be made in the near future.

Bob (W9BU) reported he was caught up on coordination certificates and all had been mailed and reminded everyone that their coordination needed to be updated every two years.

Bob (W9BU) led a discussion on sending coordination certificates via e-mail to reduce IRC costs and work load. Tony Tolbert (W9AMT) made a motion that "All future coordination certificates will be e-mailed to their respective Holders of Coordination". The motion was seconded and passed.

Bob (W9BU) discussed New England's on-line database system and CTK databases.

Bob (W9BU) introduced Mike Palmer (N9FEB) as the IRC database manager and Mike's first task will be to contact Holders of Coordination that have out of date coordinations and remind them their coordination is out of date and update the coordination via the website.

Bill Atkinson (NF9K) asked why officers were elected at the July meeting, but did not take office until the November meeting. Steve (W9SMJ) explained that in the past the officers were elected at the November meeting and took office at the November meeting. It was decided to have the election at the July meeting because it was held at the Indianapolis hamfest which was more centrally located and had higher attendance than the November meeting in Ft. Wayne. However, the installation of officers was never moved from the November meeting to the July meeting. Steve (W9SMJ) pointed out that the by-laws say officers will take office at the meeting in which they were elected.

Mike (WD8IEJ) made a motion that officers would be elected at the July meeting and take office at the November meeting. The motion was withdrawn after a discussion and mutual agreement that the election and installation of officers should follow the IRC constitution and by-laws.

Therefore, IRC officers will be elected at the July meeting and will take office at the July meeting.

New Business

Election of officers: The current officers Bob Burns, W9BU Chairman, Steve Jones, W9SMJ Vice-Chairman and Mark Musick, WB9CIF Secretary/Treasurer all agreed to serve for another term. All three officers were reelected by acclamation.

Adjournment at 15:05 happened by motion to adjourn with no opposition.

Mark Musick, WB9CIF
Secretary/Treasurer