IRC Meeting Minutes July 14, 2018, at the Indianapolis Hamfest

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bob Burns W9BU at 1309 local time.

The meeting was presided over by Bob (W9BU) and Mike Sercer, WA9FDO, Secretary / Treasurer).

Mike read the meeting minutes from the November 18, 2017 meeting. The meeting minutes were accepted as read.

Mike presented the treasurers report. The IRC currently has \$3967.24 as of July 1, 2018. Expenses to date are \$46 for incorporation filing and \$10 for postage stamps. The treasurer's report was accepted as read.

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

There was no report from Vice Chairman Steve Jones W9SMJ. Steve has tendered his resignation effective immediately due to his work duties.

Coordination statistics (as of July 14, 2018):

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613 active coordination's
       546 repeaters
        67 links and control receivers
         1 beacon
New coordination's per year
       2015 - 91
       2016 - 55
       2017 - 17
       2018 – to date 16
Date of last update
       2014 - 34(6\%)
       2015 – 123 (20%)
       2016 - 170 (28\%)
       2017 - 237 (39\%)
       2018 – to date 47 (8%)
De-coordination's 2016 – 7, 2017 – 29, 2018 to date 9
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OLD BUISNESS:

Bob Burns reported that conversation with the SERA coordinating group regarding their coordination software has not progressed. Bob has not had any further contact with SERA staff and has not pursued their software any further.

Regarding the presentation by Mr. Robert Greenburg of RFinder at the Fort Wayne meeting, Bob reported that he has had no further contact from them.

NEW BUSINESS:

In the continuing effort to upgrade the IRC coordinating software, Bob Burns has been in contact with Mr. Bob DeMattia of the New England Spectrum Management Council (NESMC). They do coordination for much of the New England states and have offered us their software package as a replacement for our current system. Bob Burns demoed the software at this meeting and got positive comments from those present. Bill Atkinson, our webmaster, indicated that it would be no problem to set up the software on a server for our use. Among the many features is the ability for system Trustees to make changes to their system parameter's directly. The changes are still pending approval by the coordinator. The system has many features that will make the overall coordination process run much smoother than our present software. Additionally, there will be no cost to use the NESMC software. Bob and Bill will continue to work with Mr. DeMattia to set up a beta test using our data.

Bill Atkin, K9YDO asked if it would be possible to have a .pdf version of the repeater directory available on the website for download. Bob said that it is possible and that he would generate a copy and have it posted on the website shortly.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Bob Burns and Mike Sercer both agreed to serve another term. There were no other nominations from the floor. Both nominations were seconded and passed by acclimation.

Bill Atkinson, NF9K was nominated from the floor by Tony Tolbert for the position of Vice Chairman. No further nominations were made and Bill was elected by acclimation. He will also continue as our webmaster.

The Officers for the coming year are:

Chairman: Bob Burns, W9BU Vice Chairman: Bill Atkinson, NF9K

Secretary / Treasurer: Mike Sercer, WA9FDO

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1350 Hrs.

Mike Sercer, WA9FDO Secretary / Treasurer