



Western New York – Southern Ontario Repeater Council

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October 19, 2008 Minutes

Location: Royal Canadian Legion, 294 Vine St., St. Catharines, ON.

1.0 General Business

- A. Call to Order by Chairman – 1130h
- B. Introduction of members present
- C. Discussion, Approval of April, 2008 Minutes (previously posted on web site) moved to accept ,VE3HJ seconded, N2OBW, carried.

2.0 Officers Reports

- A. Secretary-Treasurer
 - 1. Financial - Finances remain stable with a balance at Sept. 17, 2008 of \$5,716.36 moved to accept WB2DSS, seconded VA3VFO, carried
 - 2. Non-Coordination correspondence – none reported
- B. Chairman, Brief remarks, no report.

3.0 Committee Reports

- A. Frequency Study Committee – Research has been done to find out what other councils have done to accommodate digital machines. Proposal in the works to change spacings is being considered. Our area has at least one example of replacement of analog with digital on regular frequencies. Moved to accept, VA3KRA, seconded, N2OBW, carried
- B. Technical Committee – Andy Mill KD2ZWA reported his feelings that co-channel D-Star should be allocated on splinter channels rather than on analog channels, thus freeing analog frequencies. He noted that other councils have not followed this practice but that the WNYSORC area is congested enough that his proposal makes sense for us and represents a chance for forward momentum. Move to accept, VE3HJ seconded, KE2VW0 - carried
- C. PR Committee no report

4.0 Old Business

OB-2008-001	Election of Council Chairman Mike VE3VCY elected Chairman	In favour - 10 Against - 7

5.0 Coordination Requests

- A. Cross Coordination with other repeater councils
 - 1. Cross Coordination from outside WNYSORC
 - a. MIARC - 6
 - b. OARC – 5
 - c. UNYREPCO - 2
 - d. WPRC - 4

2. Cross Coordination from WNYSORC to outside areas
 - a. MIARC - 4
 - b. OARC - 5
 - c. UNYREPCO - 4
 - d. WPRC - 6

B. WNYSORC

1. Changes in Trustees - 4
2. Relinquishments - 0
3. Purges - 0
4. New coordinations - 8
5. New requests not approved - 13
6. Denied - 7

Purges in Process – Current “Sent” column specifies when WNYSORC mailed the Registered letter. “Received” column specifies when trustee signed for Registered letter. <u>There are no purges in process at this time.</u>					
RPTR	Frequency	Sent	Received	Response	Trustee

Interference Complaints	
	NONE

6.0 New Business

NB-2008-001 – The Council Secretary-Treasurer, Peter Henry VA3PWH, has resigned for personal and family reasons. An interim appointment is needed to fill in the remaining year (until October, 2009) of his term. Ideally, his replacement would be able to begin immediately fulfilling the duties, but Peter has said that although he would prefer not to, he could continue until the April, 2009 meeting. Nominations will still be needed at the April meeting for someone to fill the post for the full three-year term (October 2009- October 2012). Resignation withdrawn

NB-2008-002 – Discussion of proposed changes to Council By-Laws. Copies of Current and Proposed to be distributed. Moved to table, K2DSO seconded, N2OBW for 9, against 6 carried. Moved N2OBW proposed bylaws be added to the notification for the April meeting. KE2VW carried Amendment – N2OBW, seconded KE2VW that all notification for April meeting be surface mail. for - 5 against – 12 defeated

NB 2008-003- Discussion of proposed changes to Coordination Policies. Copies of Current and Proposed to be distributed. KD2WA moved to table the proposal, and add copy to April meeting notification seconded VE3HJ - carried

N-2008-004 – [matters raised from the floor]

- a) Technical committee advised co-ordinator to continue with normal policies regarding Digital repeaters
- B) Question from floor about 900 MHz assignments at 12.5 KHz spacing. 25 KHz to be used. except for preexisting coordinations.
- c) Meeting April 19 except if Easter moved KE2VW, seconded KC2KHJ carried

7.0 Adjournment Motion moved, KE2VW

Adjourned 2:06 pm