



Western New York – Southern Ontario Repeater Council

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October 15, 2006 MINUTES

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

1.0 General Business

- A. Call to Order by Chairman – 11:00am
- B. Introduction of members present
- C. Discussion, Approval of April, 2006 Minutes (previously posted on web site)
 - moved by Peter Vince, VA3PKV, 2nd by Peter Gayle, VA3PK - moved.

2.0 Officers Reports

- A. Secretary-Treasurer
 - 1. Financial - moved by Kevin Andrews, VA3KRA, 2nd by Ted Doda, VE3TJD - moved.
 - 2. Non-Coordination correspondence – nothing to report
- B. Chairperson – Mike Maclean, VE3VCY - discussion regarding the purge procedure and repeater usage.

3.0 Committee Reports

- A. Frequency Study Committee – nothing to report
- B. Technical Committee – Digital Voice Repeaters in the 435-450 MHz Spectrum
 - Investigation of the requested interleave of frequencies by the digital operators in the UHF spectrum have the following results.
 - Repeaters (digital) not to occupy more than 12.5 kcs
 - Center frequency of the digital carrier to be offset in steps of 12 kcs which will place these channels in between the 25 kc spaced analog channel groupings
 - 12.5 kc allocations to be digital mode only
 - Maximum transmit power limited to 50 watts
 - Minimum adjacent channel spacing to be extended to 45 miles (72 km) for 35 miles (56 km)
 - Digital users are to be considered secondary users; any interference to analogue repeater operation will have to be corrected by the digital user
 - moved by Peter Gayle, VA3PK, 2nd by Robert Nuefeld, N3AU - moved.
- C. PR Committee – nothing to report

4.0 Old Business

OB-2005-001	Final vote on Motion – WNYSORC to allow a 25 split in Canada on 900MHz – KD2WA Andy Mills, 2 nd – VA3EZT David Lamb.	UPDATE - Rich to check with US sites and determine range and spacing. 902.000 to 982.000 With 902.000 RX; 927.000 TX designated as a SNPF. DONE.
OB-2005-011	VE3NX Owen Sound/Paisley conflict Needs to submit an update form. We'll look at it again.	Form has not been submitted. No form – no coordination!!
OB-2006-001	Jerry VE3EXT - Proposed change of venue for October, 2006 meeting: Kitchener, ON or area. Tom Domonkos VE3LT will check into possibilities in Kitchener Waterloo area and will report back to the WNYSORC executive within one month. WNYSORC will send out an email once the meeting place has been decided on.	Tom was able to find a venue in Kitchener but due to some scheduling conflicts with the executive we had to move the date and location of the meeting. We will explore the Kitchener location again next year as we see Kitchener as a viable location.
OB-2006-002	WNYSORC – as per WNYSORC by-laws nominations are open for the position of Secretary-Treasurer. Laird Solomon VE3LKS – nominated by Gary Heagle VE3EPY, 2 nd by Ben Bass N2YDM. To be voted on at next meeting in October	Laird has decided not to let his name stand for re-election so further names will need to be submitted. Laird has agreed to stay temporarily to fulfil the secretary-treasurer functions, in a non decision making roll, until a suitable replacement can be found or he can no longer fulfil his duties, whichever comes first. Email Mike Maclean, VE3VCY, any names for consideration.

5.0 Coordination Requests

A. Cross Coordination with other repeater councils

1. Cross Coordination from outside WNYSORC
 - a. MIARC - 4 requests
 - b. OARC - 3 requests
 - c. UNYREPCO - 3 requests
 - d. WPRC - 3 requests
2. Cross Coordination from WNYSORC to outside areas
 - a. MIARC - 3 requests
 - b. OARC - 3 requests
 - c. UNYREPCO - 4 requests
 - d. WPRC - 4 requests

B. WNYSORC

1. Changes in Trustees
2. Relinquishments
3. Purges
4. New coordinations
5. New requests not approved
6. Denied

C. Interference Complaints

New and In Process Requests		
NR-2005-010	VE3OBN 224.920 - changed to VA3WHQ and frequency to 224.220	Needs to be coordinated. Okay.
NR-2005-013	Six meter repeater at Fonthill for NPARC	Repeater currently under construction. They have had this coordination for 53.150 since 7-10-05. If not on the air within 30 days the assignment will be cancelled. Also coordination for 224.580 since 3-12-05. If not on the air within 30 days the assignment will be cancelled. Updated – Oct 15, 2006 220 operational until hit by lightning. 6m not going to be used.
NR-2005-014	Proposed 2m request Wilf VE3WAS – request for 146.610	To be coordinated once repeater is active and final RCF form submitted. OK.
NR-2005-015	VA3RJS Bob Scanferla – request for 53.050	To be coordinated once repeater is active and final RCF form submitted. Status???
NR-2005-016	Dan Farr – request for 53.010	To be coordinated once repeater is active and final RCF form submitted. OK.
NR-2005-017	VE3SXY – request for 902.500/927	Coordination process can proceed. OK.

Purges in Process – April					
“Sent” column specifies when WNYSORC mailed the Registered letter.					
“Received” column specifies when trustee signed for Registered letter.					
RPTR	Frequency	Sent	Received	Response	Trustee
VE3RUX	444.175	20-Sep-05	RTS	Letter returned – not at address – VE3RUX not in IC database - PURGED	VE3GUM
WB2OXB	224.100	01-Feb-06	02-Feb-06	No response by March 1 deadline – PURGED	WB2OXB
VE3LNZ	147.195	17-Feb-06	20-Feb-06	Received forms but with minor issues. Working with trustee to rectify. Updated 26-APR-06. OK.	VE3ADJ
VA3AMH	442.150 147.360	17-Feb-06	20-Feb-06	No response by March 31 deadline – PURGED	VE3DSI
VE3OOO	224.660	17-Feb-06	20-Feb-06	No response by March 31 deadline - PURGED	VE3ES
VE3ZOE	443.075	17-Feb-06	20-Feb-06	Updated 11-APR-06 OK.	VE3IQL
VE3WAT	147.045	17-Feb-06	20-Feb-06	No response by March 31 deadline - PURGED	VE3MMN
VE3FFN	146.640	17-Feb-06	22-Feb-06	Silent Key – frequency relinquished – repeater no longer in use PURGED	VE3FFN
VE3PRT	443.300	17-Feb-06		address good at RAC for trustee but Canada Post indicates person has moved and forwarded letter to new address – no response PURGED	VE3AIX
VE3RTP	443.325	17-Feb-06		address good at RAC for trustee but Canada Post indicates person has moved and forwarded letter to new address – no response PURGED	VE3AIX
VE3RAE	146.895	17-Feb-06		address good at RAC for trustee but Canada Post indicates person has moved and forwarded letter to new address – no response PURGED	VE3CZN

Purges in Process – see attachment

Interference Complaints		
IC-2006-001	W2DXA – 147.390 – station is experiencing co-channel interference by an uncoordinated repeater run by the Portuguese ARC on the same frequency within the 100 mile limit.	Since WNYSORC is not a regulatory body we have advised W2DXA to file a complaint with both the FCC and IC should the problem not be resolved amicably.
IC-2006-002	VE3WAS – 146.610 – station is being interfered with by an uncoordinated repeater on 146.620 operated by VE3TVG. 146.620 is not a standard repeater frequency.	Since WNYSORC is not a regulatory body we have advised VE3WAS to file a complaint with IC should the problem not be resolved amicably. VE3TVG took repeater off the air.

6.0 New Business

NB-2006-006 – motion to investigate the possibility to set up a PayPal account for the payment of dues and fees – moved by Tedd Doda, VE3TJD, 2nd by David Lamb, VA3EZT. Moved.

Motion to adjourn by James Webb, VE3WA. Moved at 1310.

7.0 Adjournment

3 Americans
15 Canadians