

Minutes of the East River Amateur Radio Club meeting held on September 7, 2015 at Ryan's Steakhouse in Bluefield, VA. <http://www.erarc.com> local emergency HF freq: 3.860+-5. Backup meeting location at Burger King, Bluefield, Va.

The meeting was opened at 700pm by Harold Hodges N8NCP, ERARC President.

Hooger Fisher W4OF read the minutes of the August meeting. There were no changes made and they were approved.

Harold gave the Treasurer's report in the absence of Roger Stefancic KC8LGR. There was a \$15 deposit for dues payment. He accepted several dues payments tonight.

(Please consider sending your dues to the address below. They are still \$15 per member and an additional \$1 per member at the same address.

THANKS!).

Roger paid \$100 for two Phelps-Dodge repeater antennas from the estate of Bob Frazier WB8NRK. They are both tuned to 147.06 and Jay Belt K8CTI said that either can be tweaked to 145.49. Don Anderson WD800R has them at his home and has painted their fiberglass, 21 foot shafts. Jay Belt also said that the Magic Jack internet phone hardware is on hand awaiting installation.

Gary Kadar N8GK said that no one showed up at the ERARC ARRL VE test session on August 8 at the Mercer County 911 Center.

Harold mentioned the West Virginia Midday Traffic Net (at noon) and the WV Phone Net at 6pm, daily on 7.235 or 3.810.

Hooger mentioned that we need to have election of officers for the 2015-2016 year. Don Anderson made a motion, seconded by Keith Jennings NO8P to keep the current officers. Discussion. A vote was taken. The motion passed. Harold thanked all of the current officers for their dedication and work for the Club.

Don Anderson WD800R was asked for a repeater report. He said that the power supply for the 147.06 had to be replaced and that the others are working but can work better with antenna replacement on 145.49, etc. He said that he replaced the carburetor on the big generator. He tested it and the smaller unit under 1000W loads and tweaked the voltages and frequencies. They are both at the 911 Center and are half full with 'no ethanol' fuel and Stabil® fuel stabilizer. They both fire up with one pull on their ropes.

Digital Mobile Radio information:

<http://www.va3xpr.net/dmr-repeater-map/>

[http://www.trbo.org/docs/Amateur\\_Radio\\_Guide\\_to\\_DMR.pdf](http://www.trbo.org/docs/Amateur_Radio_Guide_to_DMR.pdf) found at

<http://www.trbo.org>. <http://www.caldmr.org> <http://www.w4c11.com>

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The meeting was over by 731pm.

Submitted by Hooger Fisher W4OF, ERARC Secretary.

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