



Minnesota Repeater Council

Fall 2014 Newsletter

Founding Member: National Frequency Coordination Council

MRC Officers:

Chair

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Secretary Treasurer

Jerry Dorf, NØFWG
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Appointments

Frequency Coordinator

Jerry Dorf, NØFWG
See Secretary's info

Technical Committee Chair

Alan Knutson, WBØZKB

User Liaison

Lion Templin, KB9ENE

THE SPRING MRC

MEETING

Will be held

Saturday

October 18, 2014

at

Waconia Ridgeview

Medical center

500 South Maple St

Waconia MN 55387

Garden Level

Conference Room

Enter on the South side room is
off the main lobby

Registration at 12:00 Noon

Call to order at 1:00 PM

Directions and Further info is

located on page 2

NO Refreshments will be
provided so plan accordingly.

If you have questions regarding
your repeater coordination or mem-
bership please email or ask before
the meeting date!

**It is important that if your not
going to attend the meeting to
proxy your vote to someone who
can attend. This can be another
club member or any licensed
amateur, it does not have to be a
MRC member.**

Annual Updates

On Saturday August 9, 164 update
forms were mailed out with a
return due by October 31. As of
August 26 64 have been returned.

Most of the returns have been no
changes. Change from a landline
to a cell phone is common.

So far no forms have been returned
by the post office due to having
a bad address. However several
have been postage due!

Annual Elections

Election of club officers will occur
at the fall meeting. Officers are

Chair

Vice Chair

Secretary Treasurer

All of the incumbent officers have
indicated they will serve another
term if re-elected.

Appointments will be made for:

Frequency Coordinator

Technical Committee chair

User Liaison

If your interested in serving as a
officer or committee please attend
the meeting or contact the MRC
secretary prior to the meeting

Meeting Location

Secretary, Treasurers & Coordinators Notes

Site is handicaped and wheel chair accessible.

Updates via ARRL Repeater webpage

Parking

Parking for patients and visitors is available on the south side of Ridgeview Medical Center in several designated areas as well as General Parking Lots A and B. All parking at Ridgeview is free. Please be sure to lock your car.

Please submit your updates to the MRC frequency coordinator directly, not via the ARRL form. Doing so will delay your update and add additional steps

Meeting location arranged by Don Burgess
KC0QNA Sibley Emergency Response Team

Coordination Database software

Old records

Records for repeaters that have not filed updates for more than 3 years. Also some "under construction" listings have been removed. If a person communicates with the MRC about off the air and pending systems I will retain the record for a reasonable time.

Coordinators Tool Kit is the software the MRC coordinator uses for database and coordination records. This software was written and developed by Dave Karr of Wisconsin Association of Repeaters in the windows 2000 era. It was last updated in January 2010, it is not windows 7 compatible. Only way to run it on a win 7 computer is to run a XP virtual machine. In short CTK has been a good program in its day but is showing its age with no current plans for being updated. It does not have options for digital modes among other things. Extracting data for reports such as the new coordinations requires use of Office 2000 on a older computer.

Records for repeaters with Silent Key's have been identified and removed.

Some members have asked about doing updates via the web.

MRC Resources on the Internet

MRC Webpage <http://www.mnrepeaters.org>
<http://www.mrc.gen.mn.us>

MRC Mailing list:

This mailing list is for announcements and general discussion of MRC events, policy and operations. Currently it is un-moderated and open to all. Sign up at:
<http://eight.pairlist.net/mailman/listinfo/mrc>

Don't forget to change your email program to "plain text" before you try to send anything. Messages with HTML or other fancy print will come through blank if you don't make the change.... Also do not include attachments!

Matt Stennett of the Texas VHF society has developed a web based application. He is working to make the site support multiple coordination body's in the near future. This site will be a licensed product or a service for a small fee to recover hosting costs. More information should be available at the fall meeting for review.

Communications with surrounding states is once again challenging, South Dakota and Upper Michigan are responding quickly, the others are not.

73's

Jerry Dorf, N0FWG
Sec-Treas
Frequency Coordinator

**Minutes of the
Minnesota Repeater Council**
Spring meeting held On April 19, 2014
Meeker County Courthouse, Litchfield MN

Call to order by Chairman, Jay Maynard, K5ZC at 1:00PM

Quorum was met with a total of 61 members in good standing on the roster, 17 in attendance, 7 non-metro at the start of the meeting.

Introduction of officers & members made.

Chairman's Report: All is quiet

Secretary & Treasurer's report: Jerry Dorf N0FWG
Reports presented to membership in the newsletter, and handout.

Frequency coordinator: Jerry Dorf N0FWG
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Motion to approve, seconded motion passed

Technical Committee: Alan Knutson, WB0ZKB Nothing to report

Individual announcements: Paul Emeott made a presentation on various digital modes

New Members:

Bob Reid, N0BHC	Associate
Daniel Skripka, KE8TX	Reg 442.350 Eden Prairie
Don Burgess KC0QNA	Reg 443.825 Green Isle
Roger Johnson WA0VLL	Reg 146.880 Eden Prairie

Motion to approve, seconded motion passed

Old Business:

Coordination Policy changes Ben Franske K0BEN
Motion made and seconded to accept the changes made in the coordination policy as posted on web. Motion Passed

Paul Emeott K0LAV presented a list of suggested corrections and changes to make items clearer. Motion made for Ben to write in the proposed changes to the policy to be placed on the MRC website for review and adoption at the fall meeting.

Liability Insurance: Greg Kitchak, N0GEF MRC officers should have coverage via home owners insurance. Will continue to investigate.

ARRL membership status for possible ARRL club affiliation and insurance program.

New Business: 147.390

Recommendation to appoint a dispute resolution committee to research the issue to return to the fall meeting with its findings.
Motion seconded and passed. Chairman appoints the following to serve on this committee
Jay Maynard K5ZC, Jerry Dorf N0FWG, Ben Franske N0BEN, Paul Emeott K0LAV, Representative of Dakota County, Bob Kaliszewki KC0FMI if he is interested in providing input. Paul Emeott, Dakota County representative and Bob Kaliszewki will be non-voting.

Fall Meeting:

Location in the Metro, Don Burgess KC0QNA will work on a location.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:47 PM

Jerry Dorf, N0FWG
Secretary Treasurer
Minnesota Repeater Council, Inc

Minnesota Repeater Council Checking Account

August 26, 2014

Date	Type	Description	Debit	Credit	Balance	Comments
4/7/2014	DEP	ELVIN SCHMIDT		\$20.00	\$7,336.78	REG DUES 2015
	DEP	BRUCE WILLIAMS		\$10.00	\$7,346.78	REG DUES 2014
4/14/2014	DEP	STEVE CSIZMADIA		\$10.00	\$7,356.78	REG DUES 2015
	DEP	Richard Neish		\$10.00	\$7,366.78	ASC DUES 2022
4/12/2014	Debit	Postmaster	\$49.00		\$7,317.78	Stamps
4/19/2014	DEP	CALVIN C NIELSEN		\$20.00	\$7,337.78	REG DUES 2016
	DEP	Randy Haglin		\$30.00	\$7,367.78	REG DUES 2016
	DEP	PATRICK TICE		\$20.00	\$7,387.78	REG DUES 2017
	DEP	ARRL	\$319.00		\$7,068.78	Repeater Directory payment
	DEP	JERRY DORF		\$10.00	\$7,116.78	REG DUES 2014
4/21/2014	DEP	ALAN KNUTSON		\$20.00	\$7,736.78	REG DUES 2015
	DEP	JOHN SWANSON		\$10.00	\$7,746.78	REG DUES 2014
	DEP	ED JACOBSON		\$10.00	\$7,756.78	REG DUES 2014
	DEP	TOM SVIHEL		\$10.00	\$7,766.78	REG DUES 2014
	DEP	Paul Emeott		\$10.00	\$7,776.78	REG DUES 2014
	DEP	Doug Nelson		\$10.00	\$7,786.78	REG DUES 2014
	DEP	GREG KITCHAK		\$10.00	\$7,796.78	REG DUES 2015
4/21/2014	2152	ARRL	\$319.00		\$7,477.78	Donation Spectrum Defense
5/5/2014	DEP	TOM SVIHEL		\$10.00	\$7,487.78	REG DUES 2015
5/14/2014	DEP	Geoffry Ernst		\$10.00	\$7,497.78	REG DUES 2014
6/24/2014	DEP	Gary Wilson		\$10.00	\$7,507.78	REG DUES 2016
7/14/2014	Debit	Postmaster	\$151.20		\$7,356.58	Postage
7/16/2014	Debit	Office Max	\$32.16		\$7,324.42	envelopes
8/3/2014	Debit	Pair Networks	\$120.89		\$7,203.53	Web hosting
8/19/2014	DEP	Kurt Eisenach		\$50.00	\$7,253.53	REG DUES 2020
	DEP	Douglas Paris		\$10.00	\$7,263.53	REG DUES 2016
8/22/2014	DEP	BOB DARLOW		\$10.00	\$7,273.53	REG DUES 2014

Notes:

1. New & pending memberships checks have been deposited to avoid the past "Stale Check" problems.
2. The date in the comment field shows dues paid to the end of that year.

Waiting list

Name	Call	Group	Band	Use	Location	Date
Alan Knutson	WB0ZKB		2M	DSTAR	Chaska/West	04/28/07
Paul Emeott	K0LAV		2M	FM	Gem Lake	10/19/09
Ross DeMeyere	W0ANA	Anoka RACES	2M	DSTAR	Anoka	03/03/11

New Coordinations

RPTLOCAT	RPTCALL	RPTOUT	RPTRSPON	TRUSTEENAN	RPTRAREA	CORDATE	USE	RPTRSTATUS
MANKATO	WA2OFZ	442.8250	WA2OFZ	STEVEN CSIZMADIA	SC	7/15/2014	RO	CNST
STATEWID	KB0UPJ	443.7000	KB0UPJ	JEREMY ROGNES	ST	5/31/2014	RO	CNST
DULUTH	N0EO	147.3750	SPIRIT VAL	DOUGLAS NELSON	DUL	5/29/2014	RO	OTA
ISLE	W0REA	146.6100	BRAINERD	PAUL EMEOTT	EC	5/29/2014	RO	OTA
FERGUS FA	N0RJ0	146.8200	ROD SCHE	ROD SCHEEL	NW	4/27/2014	RO	CNST
DUXBURY	KE0ACL	145.2300	PINE CO EM	PATRICK STORY	EC	4/13/2014	RO	OTA
NEW RICH	N0RPJ	145.3300	DENNIS ENG	DENNIS ENGSTROM	SE	3/4/2014	RO	OTA

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Membership and Renewal application form

Name of organization or individual sponsor: _____

Repeater Call: _____ Frequency(s): _____

Repeater Location(s): _____

Trustee information (MRC Main Contact).

Trustee Callsign: _____ Name: _____

Phone: _____ Address: _____

Email: _____ City: _____

Other: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Club or alternate contact/mailing address.

Callsign: _____ Name: _____

Phone: _____ Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Type of Application: Renewal New membership Trustee Change Database Update

Regular Membership Dues \$10.00 year
Organization or individual who is operating a FCC licensed Amateur Repeater station on a frequency coordinated by the MRC. Has one vote at all meetings. Receives all mailings.

Associate Member Dues \$ 5.00 year
Organization or individual with a active interest in constructing an Amateur Radio Repeater station or in the activities of the MRC. Can participate in the activities of the MRC but has no vote. Receives all mailings.

Newsletter
Receives one copy of MRC newsletter for 1 year. Dues \$ 5.00
Or download for free from the MRC webpage

Signed: Repeater Trustee/Regular Member

Date: _____

Mail all Applications and dues to:
Minnesota Repeater Council
Jerry Dorf, N0FWG Secretary/Treasurer
601 Sunset Street
Buffalo MN 55313
763-682-2169 Voice Fax available upon req
jerryd@jerryd.net

of years Paid: _____

Total Amount: _____

Check #: _____

Name on Check: _____

Other Info: _____

Membership Approval Granted: _____ Date: _____

Dues Paid for: 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 2025 2026 2027 2028 2029

Agenda
Minnesota Repeater Council General meeting
Fall 2014

I. Call to order 12:30 PM

- A. Welcome
- B. Establish quorum
- C. Introduction of officers and members
- D. Review Agenda

II. Reports

- A. Chairman
- B. Secretary & treasurer report
- C. Frequency coordinators report
- D. Technical Committee

III Individual Announcements

- A.

IV. Applications for membership

- A. Bob Dablow W0BIN Reg member
146.895 Sabin Clay County ARES
- B. Carl J Vangness K0TNT Reg member
147.210 TCRC
- C.

V. Old business.

- A. Coordination Policy Corrections
- B. Liability Insurance Follow-up
- C. ARRL Membership status.
- D. 147.390 Surrender

VI. New business

- A. Future of software/Coordination database.
RF Projector website for coordination & updates
- B.

VII. Election of Officers

VIII. Fall Meeting, Non Metro location

IX. Adjournment

Delegate Registration (Proxy) Form

Regular member. _____

Repeater Call: _____ Frequency: _____

Trustee: Call: _____ Name: _____

A regular member is an organization or individual that is the Trustee of record for an operating repeater in the MRC frequency coordination database with MRC membership dues paid in full at the start of the meeting.

Primary Delegate Call: _____ Name: _____

Alternate Delegate #1 Call: _____ Name: _____

Alternate Delegate #2 Call: _____ Name: _____

Restrict voting privileges: If you wish to be registered for purposes if counting attendance, but do not want your assigned delegate to have voting privileges, check here

Duration of Proxy: Check here to allow this proxy to be used at future MRC meetings. This proxy may be altered or revoked at any time by the regular member. Check here to restrict voting to current meeting.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Regular Member (Trustee)

Please mail this proxy to the Secretary at least one week prior to the meeting. Advance registration is appreciated.