

## Secretary Report & Minutes of Meriden Amateur Radio Club (M.A.R.C.) August 2015 Activity meeting

The activity meeting opened at 7:30PM EDST on August 27, 2015 with 18 people in attendance and one guest.

## Officers present:

Bill (W1KKF), Haggie (KB1HCC), Al (N1API), Steve (KC1AXJ).

The meeting was opened and chaired by President, Bill (W1KKF).

Mark (K1PU) was to be the guest speaker; topic was to be Mark's solar house. Unfortunately Mark didn't make the meeting so we'll be pushing this topic out to a future date.

## Announcements -

<u>Treasurer</u> – Haggie (KB1HCC) wishes to retire from the role due to other personal commitments. The club is looking for a new treasurer. Haggie will help with the transition to the new person.

<u>Wallingford Repeater Association</u> – Mike Ash (K1LHO) reported on the checking account issues with the current bank. The problem manifested itself due to the bank changing ownership many times over the years. In short, Mike is in process of closing out the WRA checking account. At the September business meeting a motion and vote will be held on disposition of these funds.

<u>Christmas Party</u> - Brother's restaurant is booked for this year's Christmas party. Date is December 10<sup>th</sup>. Drinks at 6PM and Food at 7PM. This will be the same menu as last years' party.

<u>ARES Swearing in</u> - September 17 at Wallingford Town Hall (The big room) for all ARES folks for swearing in ceremony by the Mayor from 6PM to 7PM. This swearing in is required yearly, so if you did this last year you'll need to attend this ceremony as well. This basically covers you and the town in the event you are injured while working/deployed for the Town of Wallingford EOC/ARES/MRC.

<u>US Islands on the Air</u> – The following folks will be working the event from North Farms Island on 20m (14.250 – 14.260) for the Club: W1KKF, KC1AXJ, KB1HCC, N1ZN, KC1ACN, N1GNV. We'll be on the air from 8AM to 4PM, so listen up. We are trying to make 25 contacts with 2 being DX contacts.

<u>Town buildup the shack/antenna etc.</u> – Chris (WA1VXH) reported that Ernie plans to have this first year phase of the buildup done by October. This includes trenches and conduit from the poles to the shack. The measurements have already been made by the town for this. This is a muli-year project, so what we have by October will not be the end of the build. The town plans to continue this refining of the EOC over several years.

<u>Taste of Wallingford</u> – October 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. Ernie is trying to set up a tent with Fire – MRC – MARC. The following folks volunteered to be at the event: Paul (K1SEZ), Chris (WA1VXH), Mike (K1LHO), Eric (KB1JI), John (N1GNV). The goal is to have a radio set up and literature at the tent. Looking for others to help out, let Chris know if you can be at the event.



## Meeting was closed at 8:05 PM Meeting Attendees on May 28, 2015

Call Sign 🔻	Name 🔻
K1LYP	John Yusza
K1VDF	John Blevins
K1WJL	Dave Swedock
KB1FYL	Robert W. Carruthers
KB1HCC	Jonathan Winslow
N1GNV	John Bartscherer
KB1JL	Eric Olson
KB1ZMK	Daniel Busa
KC1ACN	Rob Cichon
K1LH0	Mike Ash
KC1AXJ	Stephen Allen
K1SEZ	Paul Ciezniak
N1API	Al Kaiser
N1ZN	James Savage
W1DQ	John Elengo
W1KKF	Bill Wawrzeniak
WA1VXH	Christian Sievert
WA1ZVY	Tony, Jim Martin
Guest	Dave Johnson