

# **Mountain Amateur Radio Club**

## **Minutes of the Meeting**

**20 January 2010**

We began the monthly meeting at 7:06 pm, with Dean Buckhouse (KBØVVA) presiding. The last regular meeting was held in November, and Don Johnson (K0DRJ) will get the minutes submitted. There will be a VE session at the WP Library, on the 6<sup>th</sup> of March. Club dues are still 20 dollars for a family, and are due in January. The 2009 Teller County funds were spent to the tune of 1995.46 for a backup repeater and some new equipment. We are going to order some Emergency Communications signs. Send an email to Dean Buckhouse to get on the list.

Next was the Treasurer's Report, given by Wes Wilson (K0HBZ). The Aurora Amateur Radio Club will host a swapmeet on February 7<sup>th</sup>, followed by the PPRAA swapmeet on July 17<sup>th</sup>. Bill Wallick (KC0FNV) will get the flyers scanned and sent out to the MARC Reflector.

Under Old Business, Paul Brown (AC5S) is working on a project to "get the word out". He intends to have this ready by the February meeting. Field Day is the last whole weekend in June (25 – 27). The MARC Campfest is the last weekend in August, which is not Labor Day. That will be the 27<sup>th</sup> through the 29<sup>th</sup> and will be held at Dean Buckhouse's property. Gathering the information on all of the club's equipment is still in progress. Wes Wilson plans to give a presentation at the February meeting on using EchoLink and the internet.

Under New Business, Kit Haskins (KA0WUC) talked about the repeaters. The recent problems at Tranquil Acres were diagnosed to a bad control cable between the UHF repeater and the controller. The TNC was also fixed. The howling issues at the Badger mountain site were finally traced to equipment owned by a local internet service provider. This equipment was replaced.

We started our break at 7:35 pm. Pete Rawson (N3VW) offered a 1980's vintage FM tuner, free to a good home. This was followed by Kit Haskins giving a presentation on radio test equipment and terminology.

Our meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm

Eighteen members, one guest.

Submitted by Bill Wallick, Secretary