CMRA October 2015 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Don, KM0R, as Daniel, KC0UTW, was unable to attend. There were 16 members and 1 guest present.

Secretary's Report: The September meeting minutes were accepted as written.

Treasurers Report: No change from September.

Old Business:

Don, KM0R, reported on the trailer. A work day will be set once coordination with Chris Swisher is done to obtain use of Fire Station 14.

Bill, N0AXZ, reported on the Fire Prevention Week Kickoff Special Event. The military masts need to be guyed – difficult on a parking lot. We had a good turnout of club members to help. Suggestion made to rotate operators and to allow some to work from home QTH for a longer period of time readily accepted by members.

Jon, NOOFJ, reported on the MS150 in Alton, IL. He was the only HAM from this area to participate. The event had excellent APRS coverage. It will be in Alton again next year the first weekend after Labor Day. Jon invited more members to participate.

New Business:

Bill, N0AXZ, reported that the Simulated Emergency Test (SET) will be held Nov 14 with a Tornado scenario. It will run from 0900-1200. We will be using the simplex frequency for District F. Bill requested more operators and said more information will be coming.

Joe, NOJEC, gave the VE report and the CMRA net report. We had three pass their tests and had 5 sessions, 66 contacts and passed three messages.

Dave, KV0S, met a former club member for lunch.

We voted on two prospective members, Michael, KE0FMA, and Don, KE0FPP. Both were accepted as members. Welcome aboard!

Dave, KD0EAG. Asked if the club would like to have next months' program via Skype. It will be on Propagation. Club enthusiastically said yes.

The meeting was adjourned at 1955.

Dave, KV0S, and Dave, KD0EAG, gave a very interesting presentation on a discone antenna they are experimenting with that has parts built with Dave's, KD0EAG, 3-D printer. Stay tuned there may be more developments on their product.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joe, N0JEC

Recording Secretary.