

# MISSOURI REPEATER COUNCIL, Inc.

## ANNUAL MRC MEETING MINUTES 1999

August 22, 1999

Called to order at 11:01am by Ken Enenbach.

Introductions of officers, members, and guests were made.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

Roger Volk (Treasurer) discussed that while the Council is currently in good financial shape, it has not been required to foot the entire cost of printing and postage in the past thanks to officers working at companies willing to donate support for the Council. That will not be the case in this coming year and that will make dues more important so as to keep up the Council's reserves.

Mac McKenzie (Frequency Coordinator) discussed that PL on input and output was taking care of most interference problems and that the overall status of coordination in the state was still good. He also stated that we are very low on 2 meter pairs and that we must reclaim frequencies that are not being used as per the letter sent to all coordinated trustees.

Mac also stated that the FCC has been getting more involved in coordination issues and that he received a call regarding a coordination issue from the Kansas City FCC office. Mac stated that his job is not only to coordinate, but to protect current coordinations from being taken.

Questions about SNAP (shared, non-protected pairs) were made and Mac informed members of the fact we do have a 440 pair reserved but that no 2 meter pair was officially reserved as a SNAP pair. People interested in using SNAP pairs should first contact Mac about coordinating use of one.

\*Old Business\*

Coordination software issues were discussed and it was decided that the current software handles all the necessary functions at this time.

Issues with 224.240 in Illinois were discussed and Jeff Young (Asst. Coordinator, STL) answered questions dealing with this issue.

Ken stated that the NFCC is still not off the ground yet and that the organization is still not mature enough to take care of coordination. Ken also mentioned that other states are in the middle of lawsuits.

Ken reassured members that the Council is working for them and is on their side.

\*Elections\*

Current officers were offered up as nominees for the positions of President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary.

President - Ken Enenbach KCOWX  
Vice President - Greg Hibbard WOENW  
Treasurer - Roger Volk KOGOB  
Secretary - Matt Stanley KOMDX

Dale Bagley, KOKY made a motion to elect the current nominees, William Dusenbery, N9OQK seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Ken Enenbach asked for nominations for the open position on the board. Michael Moore, WD0EFP nominated Jeff Young, KB3HF, Herschel Hall, N0OWJ seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

\*New Business\*

Mac McKenzie discussed that the Council should lower regular coordination to 90 miles instead of the current 120 mile guideline. Other states have been using 90 miles successfully. Problems with interference have been solved by using PL on both input and output. Mac requested comments on the proposal and a show of hands.

Members discussed the issue of whether or not PL would be required on all new systems coordinated under the 90 mile guideline.

Carl Lee, KJ0A made a motion that the Council adopt the new 90 mile guideline and not require PL for new machines. Michael Sheridan, KB0TWT seconded. Motion was approved 14 to 8.

Mac McKenzie suggested that systems who have previously not been able to coordinate because of no open repeater pairs try to contact him again now that the 90 mile guideline has been approved.

Members asked if the Council has any power of suggestion towards radio manufacturers regarding new radios which can utilize 220, 900, and 1215. Ken Enenbach stated that the Council really doesn't have any power of suggestion and additional commentary was added by Mike Musick, N0QBF.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:21 PM.

Submitted by,  
Matt Stanley  
Secretary  
Missouri Repeater Council, Inc.