# The Marinette and Menominee Amateur Radio Club

# **GROUND WAVE**

Repeater Frequencies 147.00MHz & 444.075MHz Club Net: Sunday 7PM 147.00MHz

Web Page http://w8pif.com



### Officers:

President: Bruce Conover N9CON Vice President: Eric Janssen KG9GH Treasurer: Mike Lemke, KD8FUE Secretary: Jim Callow K8IR

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## **CLUB CALENDAR**

Oct 8 Club Meeting George Webb's Oct 10 Ham Breakfast George Webb's

#### CLUB MEETING...

As NWTC remains unavailable to the public, we will meet Thursday October 8<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the back room at George Webb's south of Peshtigo on US41. We hope you'll be able to attend. The September Ham Breakfast will be held at 9am on Saturday October 10<sup>th</sup> also at George Webb's in Peshtigo.

# HARA ARENA BEING DEMOLISHED...

Many of us spent many hours in the former Hamvention venue.

## From the ARRL Website:

Hara Arena, the former venue for **Dayton**Hamvention® and myriad sports,
entertainment, and other presentations over
the years, will soon be history. In the wake
of a failed attempt to revitalize the tornadodamaged complex, officials in the city of
Trotwood, Ohio — where Hara Arena is
actually located — announced plans last
week to raze the complex and rezone the
property from commercial recreation to light
industrial.

"The complex suffered extensive damage during the 2019 Memorial Day tornado outbreak," the city said in a news release on September 25, taking note of hopes to salvage the complex. "However, redeveloping the property would be a challenge due to the extent of the damage, so the decision was made, and a contract has been secured to demolish the legendary venue."



Hara Arena had served as the venue for Dayton Hamvention from 1964 until 2016. Hamvention announced in July 2016 that Hara Arena would be closing and that Hamvention would continue. The show is now held at the Greene County Fairgrounds and Expo Center.

Over its six-decade history, Hara Arena hosted concerts by performers that included the Rolling Stones and the Grateful Dead; it was also where hockey legend Wayne Gretzky played his first professional hockey game.

# M&M Amateur Radio Club Minutes September 10, 2020

The meeting was called to order by President Bruce Conover, N9CON at 7:12pm at Perkins Restaurant in Menominee.

Motion to approve the Minutes of the August meeting by K9STT, second by K1SGW. Motion passed.

Treasurers report: Mike, KD8FUE reports the balance is \$3769.56 as of the end of August. The club has received an \$18.07 reimbursement from the Amazon Smile program.

Repeater report: AB9PJ expects the 444.500 repeater to be back on in a couple of weeks. The 147.000 repeater was off the air the previous evening due to a blown fuse. The 444.075 repeater is working OK. KG9GH will get the Fusion repeater to K1STT. AB9PJ will get a mast for the Harbors. Will do the Fusion repeater installation and antenna work all at the same time.

HAT Team report: AB9PJ says he's been talking with the Door County club which has problems with the line or antenna on the 147.210 repeater. AB9PJ says he want to take care of local projects before doing any out of town work.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Communications Trailer: Roof repair was nearly complete. N9CON has spare keys. The trailer will be moved to KD8FUE's QTH. N9CON says we still need the registration, insurance, and authorization of use from the County. A committee was set up to plan what will be put in the trailer. Committee members include K9STT, KD8OVR, KD8FUE, N9CON, and K1SGW. KB7KZ is donating an inverter and radio for the trailer. K9STT is donating some radios as well.

Repeater Trustee: A motion was made by AB9PJ, second by KB7KZ to have K8IR become trustee of the W8PIF license. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS: FCC proposed \$50 fee for licenses. After discussion there appear to be little support for the club to do any subsidizing of license fees. K1SGW noted the DAR would pay a fee for youth getting their license through the DAR.

KD8FUE noted the donations coming to the club through KG9GH. Thank you, Eric.

Raffle: We sold over 100 tickets and made \$208 on the raffling of the radio donated by KB7KZ. N9OSF was the winner of the radio.

KB7KZ noted the Route 66 special event starts this Saturday. He is putting up a Route 66 souvenir as a prize to the club member making the most contacts in the special event.

K1SGW suggested it may be time to raise the dues, which have been the same for many years. N9CON says a written proposal should be made according to the bylaws.

Motion to adjourn by K9STT, second by KD8FUE. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:29pm.

Those attending: N9CON, K9STT, N9GLT, WN6KHG, KD8FUE, AG9P, W9CYN, KE8KWU, KB7KZ, Murf, Greg Paulson, K1SGW, K8IR, AB9PJ.

Submitted by Jim Callow, K8IR, Secretary

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