

# Iron Range Amateur Radio Club

April 16, 2024

19 People Present – Dan Waters, AA9JG; Mike, KA9RAB and Sandie, KE8DQS Nies; Paul Penkivech, W8YNY; Bob Newman, W5RHN; Franziska Hancock, K5FRN; Ray Guzowski, KE8OBV; \*Santee, KA9UNA, and \*Dave, KF7CSV Schumacher; Kerry Kirkpatrick, KE8RRY; Steve Rhoades, KE8QJN; Harry Burley, KA8NYP; Jerry Ward, KE8FEF; Ron Bratrud, N9LHE; Kurt Markkola, KE7HEV; Alma Baumgartner, KC8ZIM; Kathy Thompson, KE8YXA; Tony Campion, KC9SZW; Scott Strom, KE8GUB \*Teams - Internet

**Officers** – President, Mike Nies; VP- Scott Strom; Treasurer, Paul Penkivech; Secretary, Dan Waters

**Net** - Sunday – 8 pm 145.17 Tone 107.2 Informal 6m NET at 2pm @ 52.0 MHz fm

**Paid members for 2024** – \$24 for the year (send to Paul Penkivech, PO Box 234 Gaastra, MI 49927 ) Kathy Thompson, KE8YXA; Harry Burley, KA8NYP; Paul Pate, WA8OOM; Dan Waters, AA9JG; Bob Newman W5RHN (thru 2025); Franziska Hancock, K5FRN (thru 2025); Tony Campion, KC9SZW; David, KF7CSV and Santee, KA9UNA Schumacher; Alma, KC8ZIM, Dan, KC8YIO, and Cheri, KC8GUA Baumgartner; Jerry Ward, KE8FEF; Mike, KA9RAB, and Sandy, KE8DQS Nies; Paul Clay, N7EKY; Joshua Penkivech- KC8MFQ; Jonah Penkivech- RG8U; John Stachowitz - KC8MFP; Paul, W8YNY, and Michaeline, N8OXV Penkivech; Jim Bonson, KD9MVD; Tina Brehm, KD9RCE; Ray Mark, KB9CBL; Ron Simmons, N8WIS; Bill Grabowski, KD8VTT and Debbie, KD8VTS; Steve Rhoades, KE8QJW; Bob Barnum, KC9RF, Shirley Barnum, WD9CJO; Ray Guzowski, KE8OBV; Kerry Kirkpatrick, KE8RRY; Kurt Markkola, KE7HEV; Matt Sybrant, KB0JWR; Ron Bratrud, N9LHE; Ray Bob Heuer, KD9DDE; Steve Singer, KF8BGC (new call + free for year!). **Associate Members:** From Australia Ross Stokes, VK4SRS; John Morris, VK3NRJ; Dennis North, VK4DWN

6:00 pm Mike led in Pledge to Flag. Mike asked Dan to lead in an Invocation

**Minutes**– March 19 as distributed. Motion by Kurt to approve. It was mentioned that Form 990 should have been in Minutes. Paul is working on it. Second by Mike. Passed.

**Treasurer's Report** –Paul Pe. Checking \$1,035.58; Projects \$2,012.68; Savings \$1,014.58; Testing, \$65.08; Total \$4,127.92. Includes \$92 paid to Museum for our display. Motion to accept by Harry, second Ray, Passed.

**Net Control** – If you are willing to help, contact Mike or Paul Penkivech. Training provided, free!

**Emergency Coordinator for Iron and Vilas County, Chris Peterson** – Ray sent out an info email. 3 levels. Tony said 2 intro classes are easy.

**Tech Test/Class** – Mike has our class on USB memory stick

**Website** – Kathy – said QSL site free. IrMt Club uses. Kathy willing to head it up, with Paul and Ray help. Goal – perhaps running by end of May.

**Museum** – Paul and Scott have been helping Tom (museum worker) on Tuesdays at 10 AM. Volunteer? Our desk looks great, made of red oak! Nice! \$92 spent on materials this month out of Projects.

**Associate Membership** – 3 Aussies signed up. Callsigns included later.

**Future Hams?** – Field Day for 3<sup>rd</sup> graders from West Iron and Forest Park. Please monitor 145.17 to talk to the kids: May 8 from 12:30 – 2:30; May 9 8:30 – 10:30 and 12:30 – 2:30. Thank you if you can help!

**Insurance** – Motion by Dan, second by Bob to let Paul pick best new policy and pay by Apr 26. Passed

**Items to keep in mind** –EME ideas progressing, ~ \$780. Set up at Museum? Paul now in LEO – heading for Moon! / Paul Pe working with IRS to maintain our 501©(3)

**Skywarn training** – 5:30 Niagra, WI at City Hall. Online course @ [https://www.meted.ucar.edu/education\\_training/course/23](https://www.meted.ucar.edu/education_training/course/23) Tony reminded us that you need to take the course every 2 years to stay current. Need this for ARES also.

**ARRL Membership** – If you are ARRL Member you can renew through IRARC to get \$5 kickback for our Club. If you become a new ARRL Member, \$20 will be given to our Club. Ask Ray for details.

**Adjourned** – 6:57 pm – Mike adjourned us with a 3 – 2 – 1 – and – Done!

Respectfully submitted, Dan Waters, AA9JG