MEETING NOTES

2 MARCH 2023

Board:

President – Anne Tenaglia, KA3KCJ Vice President – Erin Farmer, KM4WSK Treasurer – Paul Keener, KT3H Secretary – Kevin DePaul, N4SEN

CALL TO ORDER:

President, Anne Tenaglia, KA3KCJ, and Vice President, Erin Farmer, KM4WSK, called the meeting to order at 1900 hours. All attendees, including non-member guests, were invited to identify themselves by name and call sign.

Alex Pierce, KC3MBV, gave a report on the morning nets. Alex will be giving this report in future meetings as well.

Neil Blaho, AA3EO, Field Day Chair, noted that Field Day is coming up fast and we need lots of help. He also noted that he will be starting classes to help people study for the Amateur Radio exams.

Treasurer, Paul Keener, KT3H, gave the treasurer's report. Finances are in good shape. There were four new members who joined since the February meeting:

Louis Yadevia, WA3EBS

Christopher Ritchie, WB3CMR David Ingram, KC3USB Joe Stratton, W3JBS

This made a total of 17 new members this year. It was noted that only 61% of last year's members had renewed. Nonrenewing members will be removed from the email list around 15 March.

Mark Phillips, NI2O, gave a very interesting presentation on packet radio and advances made therein over the past several decades. A question-and-answer period followed the discussion.

Vice President Erin Farmer, KM4WSK, presented Mark Phillips a coffee mug with the MNARC logo and his call sign as a token of appreciation for this presentation.

Erin asked the group if there was interest in club Field Day Tshirts, with a lot of responses in the affirmative. She noted the MNARC QDX transceiver build we are hosting 6 May and noted the Phil-mont Radio Club power supply build on 18 March. Erin also noted the club POTA activation on 15 April.

Erin asked the group if there was a desire to move the April meeting from 6 to 13 April, again with significant interest. [This has now been confirmed.]

Erin remarked that we always need Net Control Operators for the morning nets and noted that Joe Jardine, KC3TER, is going to be alternating months with Bill Fields, NA3K, on Saturdays. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 2030 hours.

The following were in attendance:

AA3EO AA3IS AC3IK Anton Dell'Orefice Ed Pierce Justine Brady K3JFK K3JH KA3KCJ **KB3SUS** KC3MBV KC3TER KC3VHO KM4WSK KT3H N2IO N3BKR N3OMR N3PEG N3QB N3ZP W3VT WA3ADI WA3KFT WA3OXY **WB3JAC**