



Minnesota Repeater Council

Fall 2015 Newsletter

Founding Member: National Frequency Coordination Council

MRC Officers:

Chair

Jay Maynard, K5ZC
1831 Oakwood Dr.
Fairmont MN 56031
chair(at)mnrepeaters.org
507-399-0024

Vice Chair

Ben Franske, KØBEN
6216 Ashcroft Lane
Edina MN 55424
vicechair(at)mnrepeaters.org
952-200-8945

Secretary Treasurer

Jerry Dorf, NØFWG
601 Sunset Street
Buffalo MN 55313
coordinator(at)mnrepeaters.org
763-682-2169

Appointments

Frequency Coordinator

Jerry Dorf, NØFWG
See Secretary's info

Technical Committee Chair

Alan Knutson, WBØZKB

User Liaison

Ryan Bloch N0BFG
151 8th Ave S, Apt 203
Hopkins, MN 55343
ryanblochatomic@gmail.com
(612)490-4241

THE Fall MRC MEETING

Will be held
Saturday
October 24, 2015

at
Maple Grove
Fire Station 2
13450 Maple Knoll Way
Maple Grove MN 55369

Registration 12:00 noon
Call to order 1:00PM

Take interstate 94 to exit 215 Weaver
Lake Road / CR 109 head east to Elm
Creek Blvd, turn north at McDonalds.
Proceed to Maple Knoll Way, turn right,
the fire station is on the left

Park in the upper parking lot next to the
church, do not enter the lower lot beyond
the do not enter signs.

This meeting is hosted by the
Maple Grove Radio Club.

If you have questions regarding
your repeater coordination or
membership please email or ask
before the meeting date!

**It is important that if your not
going to attend the meeting to
proxy your vote to someone who
can attend. This can be another
club member or any licensed
amateur, it does not have to be a
MRC member.**

Secretary, Treasurers & Coordinators Notes

Annual Updates

176 Mailed on August 20, please return by
October 31, 2015. As of September 9, 77
have been returned.

As reminder if you move, change phone
numbers, callsign, email etc you can file
updates anytime. This helps speed up the
fall update process.

ARRL Repeater Directory Changes for 2016

The ARRL has contracted with DHF
systems for a new database system for the
repeater directory. Final specification data
has been published.

Closed repeaters will no longer be listed.
Geographic Data has been eliminated.
Features such as Emergency Power,
Autopatch etc will no longer be published.

Repeaters will be listed by state and city.
DMR, DSTAR, FUSION, P25 and other
modes are supported as well as the access
method

Link field will allow coordinators to
provide Echolink, IRLP data. Previous
editions relied on other sources for this
data.

Coordinators will have the option to
upload raw data files once again. CTK
2 does not support the new format at this
time!

It appears that manual updates to will have
be made for each repeater.

A new license agreement has been made
with the ARRL for data usage.

Secretary, Treasurers & Coordinators Notes

Contacting the MRC Secretary & Coordinator!

I have a full time job, so if you wish to contact me by phone, it is best to try 6-9PM in the evenings.

Sending registered mail is going to delay my receiving the correspondence, I normally read and respond to email on a daily basis, this is preferred if I need to research something or for simple questions.

Repeater updates and frequency applications must be a hard copy with signature, you may scan your documents and email the document or send via USPS mail.

You may use email to notify the MRC of operational changes to your repeater like its now on the air or will be off the air for a period of time.

Proxy forms can be mailed or scan and email however just a proxy statement is not. I no longer have a dedicated fax number.

If you have any questions, or there is a discrepancy in your information please ask before coming to the meeting. It is much easier to resolve any issues in advance as I can spend more time to help come to a solution.

Thanks for your cooperation.

MRC Resources on the Internet

MRC Webpage <http://www.mnrepeaters.org>
<http://www.mrc.gen.mn.us>

MRC Mailing list:

This mailing list is for announcements and general discussion of MRC events, policy and operations. Currently it is un-moderated and open to all. Sign up at:
<http://eight.pairlist.net/mailman/listinfo/mrc>

Don't forget to change your email program to "plain text" before you try to send anything. Messages with HTML or other fancy print will come through blank if you don't make the change.... Also do not include attachments!

Due to changes regarding the .us domain.

Registration is now required for www.mrc.gen.mn.us this was completed at no charge to the MRC. This required notarized documentation and mailing.

Annual renewal with the Minnesota Secretary of State for our non profit status has been filed.

CTK 2:

Coordinators Tool Kit (CTK) version 2.0 was released on March 30 as a alpha version for windows 7. Since the alpha release it has advanced to 2.10

With CTK2 I have obtained a used document scanner to electronically store coordination documents such as applications and updates as they are received.

Barcode scanning now works correctly with a symbol USB scanner to process and update records off the update sheets. Advancements include the ability to update all repeaters associated with a person at once!

CTK 2 currently does not support the new ARRL data format and most likely will not in the near future. It may be possible for someone to develop a script to convert the CTK XML export to the ARRL data specification.

Assistant coordinator:

Position for assistant coordinator is open! This person will assist in coordination duties as needed. First task may be the ARRL repeater directory update.

If your interested please contact me directly.

Hope to see you in Maple Grove.

73's

Jerry Dorf, N0FWG
Minnesota Repeater Council

Minutes of the Minnesota Repeater Council

Spring meeting held On April 11, 2015
American Red Cross, Mankato MN

Call to order by Chairman Jay Maynard at 1:00PM
Introduction of members and officers made.

Quorum was met with a total of 61 members in good standing on the roster, 26 in attendance of which 10 are non-metro.

Chairman's Report: Jay Maynard K5ZC
Nothing to report

Secretary & Treasurer's report: Jerry Dorf N0FWG
Reports presented to membership in the newsletter, and handout.

Frequency coordinator: Jerry Dorf N0FWG
Reports presented to membership in the newsletter, and handout.

New Members:

Terry Zellman, KB0FXX Regular member Daniel Anderson, KD0ASX Regular member
Adam Bjorkland, KD0ZSA Associate member Ann Foster, K0ANN Associate member

Motion made, seconded and passed to accept all new members.

Old Business:

Coordination Policy update to include regions, tabled until fall meeting.
Coordination software updates, Texas, Coordinator's Tool Kit ARRL directory discussion. No action taken

New Business:

Spring Meeting: Metro location: Maple Grove Fire Station? Secretary will work on
Meeting Adjourned at 1:40 PM

Jerry Dorf, N0FWG
Secretary Treasurer
Minnesota Repeater Council, Inc

Minnesota Repeater Council Checking Account

September 7, 2015

Date	Type	Description	Debit	Credit	Balance	Comments
4/3/2015	2153	ARRL		\$331.00	\$7,838.25	Donation Spectrum Defense Fund
4/6/2015	DEP	Winona ARC / Eric Boom		\$10.00	\$7,848.25	Reg Dues 2016
4/7/2015	DEP	ELVIN SCHMIDT		\$20.00	\$7,868.25	Reg Dues 2017
4/13/2015	DEP	MIKE LANGER		\$20.00	\$7,888.25	REG DUES 2016
	DEP	ANN FOSTER		\$5.00	\$7,893.25	ASC DUES 2015
	DEP	Sean Stepanek		\$20.00	\$7,913.25	REG DUES 2016
	DEP	Don Burgess		\$10.00	\$7,923.25	REG DUES 2015
	DEP	ED JACOBSON		\$20.00	\$7,943.25	REG DUES 2016
	DEP	JOHN SWANSON		\$20.00	\$7,963.25	REG DUES 2016
	DEP	DON RICE		\$10.00	\$7,973.25	REG DUES 2015
	DEP	ADAM BJORKLUND		\$5.00	\$7,978.25	ASC DUES 2015
	DEP	Dave Fisher		\$20.00	\$7,998.25	REG DUES 2016
	DEP	Geoffry Ernst		\$10.00	\$8,008.25	REG DUES 2016
	debit	Pairnic	\$65.00		\$7,943.25	mnrepeaters.org renew 5 years
5/19/2015	DEP	STEVE CSIZMADIA		\$10.00	\$7,953.25	Reg Dues 2016
6/17/2015	DEP	Tom Sturm		\$70.00	\$8,023.25	Reg Dues 2022
7/25/2015	DEP	Shawn Rung / Anoka RC		\$50.00	\$8,073.25	Reg Dues 2020
8/3/2015	2154	Pair Networks	\$120.89		\$7,952.36	Web hosting
8/17/2015	Debit	Postmaster	\$147.00		\$7,805.36	Postage updates / newsletter
8/28/2015	DEP	Patrick Wilmers		\$25.00	\$7,830.36	REG Dues 2017

Notes:

1. New & pending memberships checks have been deposited to avoid the past "Stale Check" problems.
2. The date in the comment field shows dues paid to the end of that year.

Waiting list

Name	Call	Group	Band	Use	Location	Date
Alan Knutson	WB0ZKB		2M	DSTAR	Chaska/West	04/28/07
Paul Emeott	K0LAV		2M	FM	Gem Lake	10/19/09
Ross DeMeyere	W0ANA	Anoka RACES	2M	DSTAR	Anoka	03/03/11

New Coordinations

443.3500	St Paul	W8WRR	3RIVERMETRO	O E	DSTAR	8/23/2015	RO
442.0000	Plymouth	W0FOX	W0FOX METRO	O		7/30/2015	RO
443.5500	Maple Grove	K0LTC	MGRC METRO	O E		7/8/2015	RO
444.7250	Statewide	AD0MI	AD0MI STATEWIDE	O P	PL 127.3	7/3/2015	RO
Link	Oniama	N0GOI	MAGIC CENTRAL			6/28/2015	LI
444.0250	Ham Lake	K9EQ	K9EQ METRO	O CA E	PL 114.8 FUSION	6/28/2015	RO
443.7000	Statewide	N1DRC	DRCRC STATEWIDE	O E	P	6/4/2015	RO
145.2300	Statewide	N1DRC	DRCRC STATEWIDE	O E	P	6/4/2015	RO
443.7000	Rochester	KA0MYG	SOUTH EAST	O E	P	6/3/2015	RO
442.9500	Minneapolis	NY9D	14567.OMETRO	O	DSTAR	5/25/2015	RO
145.3500	Tyler	W0ZZY	MCARC SOUTHWEST	O E	PL 156.7	4/24/2015	RO
Link	Brooklyn Park	KA0KMJ	KA0KM METRO			4/24/2015	LI
146.7600	St Louis Park	W0EF	TCFMC METRO	O	ECHOLINK 77598	4/24/2015	RO
444.1000	St Louis Park	W0EF	TCFMC METRO	O	ECHOLINK 77598	4/24/2015	RO
444.4500	Dayton	KA0KMJ	KA0KM METRO	O	PL 114.8 FUSION	4/24/2015	RO

Minnesota Repeater Council

Membership and Renewal application form

Name of organization or individual sponsor: _____

Repeater Call: _____ Frequency(s): _____

Repeater Location(s): _____

Trustee information (MRC Main Contact).

Trustee Callsign: _____ Name: _____

Phone: _____ Address: _____

Email: _____ City: _____

Other: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Club or alternate contact/mailling address.

Callsign: _____ Name: _____

Phone: _____ Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Type of Application: Renewal New membership Trustee Change Database Update

- Regular Membership
Dues \$10.00 year
Organization or individual who is operating a Amateur Repeater Station on a frequency coordinated by the MRC. Has one vote at all meetings. Receives all mailings.
- Associate Member
Dues \$ 5.00 year
Organization or individual with a active interest in constructing an Amateur Radio Repeater station or in the activities of the MRC. Can participate in the activities of the MRC but has no vote. Receives all mailings.
- Newsletter
Dues \$ 5.00
Receives one copy of MRC newsletter for 1 year.
Or download for free from the MRC webpage

Signed: Repeater Trustee/Regular Member

Date: _____

Mail all Applications and dues to:
Minnesota Repeater Council
Jerry Dorf, N0FWG Secretary/Treasurer
601 Sunset Street
Buffalo MN 55313
763-682-2169
jerryd@jerryd.net

of years Paid: _____

Total Amount: _____

Check #: _____

Name on Check: _____

Other Info: _____

Membership Approval Granted: _____ Date: _____

Dues Paid for: 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 2025 2026 2027 2028 2029 2030

Agenda
Minnesota Repeater Council General meeting
Fall 2015

I. Call to order 1:00 PM

- A. Welcome
- B. Establish quorum
- C. Introduction of officers and members
- D. Review Agenda

II. Reports

- A. Chairman
- B. Secretary & treasurer report
- C. Frequency coordinators report
- D. Technical Committee

III Individual Announcements

- A.

IV. Applications for membership

- A.
- B.
- C.

V. Old business.

- A. Coordination policy changes, Regions
- B. Coordination software
- C. Disaster planning/ backups
- D.

VI. New business

- A.
- B.

VII. Election of Officers / Appointments

VIII. Spring Meeting, Out state location.

IX. Adjournment

Delegate Registration (Proxy) Form

Regular member. _____

Repeater Call: _____ Frequency: _____

Trustee: Call: _____ Name: _____

A regular member is an organization or individual that is the Trustee of record for an operating repeater in the MRC frequency coordination database with MRC membership dues paid in full at the start of the meeting.

Primary Delegate Call: _____ Name: _____

Alternate Delegate #1 Call: _____ Name: _____

Alternate Delegate #2 Call: _____ Name: _____

Restrict voting privileges: If you wish to be registered for purposes if counting attendance, but do not want your assigned delegate to have voting privileges, check here

Duration of Proxy: Check here to allow this proxy to be used at future MRC meetings. This proxy may be altered or revoked at any time by the regular member. Check here to restrict voting to current meeting.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Regular Member (Trustee)

Please mail this proxy to the Secretary at least one week prior to the meeting. Advance registration is appreciated.