## **OSCAR Newsletter August 12, 2017**

The next OSCAR meeting is Saturday September 9, 2017, the second Saturday of the month.

The meeting will be held at 9:00am in the back room of "The Kitchen" restaurant in downtown Owatonna, located at 329 Cedar Ave N.

August 12, 2017 Meeting Notes: The meeting was called to order at 9:12am by President Kris, KCOREO.

## Attendees:

Alec **KEOIDQ** Barry **KYOGBZ** Bill **WA0FMG NOBKJ Bonnie** Brian **KOBDD** Dale **WBOPKG** KD0GVR Gregg Jared **KEOFQM** Jeff **NOGZK** Jerry KD0KRY Ken **NOHMD KOAJB** Kevin **KCOREO** Kris Kurt **KDOSEE** Leonard **KEOBPF** Lou KOIUQ Lowell **KDORGH** Marv **WA0F** Matt **KAOPQW** Mike **NOMDC** Richard **NOBAD** Tom N0UW

**Secretary's Report** was summarized by WA0FMG via the July Newsletter. Motion to approve by N0MDC, seconded by KE0IDQ. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report was read by NOMDC. Motion to approve by NOBKJ, seconded by KDOSEE. Motion carried.

**Skywarn Report:** KD0KRY updated that weather has been pretty quiet. N0UW reported they are updating "sweet spot" location and documentation for a new map in 2018. Check the website for meeting locations and news. www.steelecountyskywarn.org

**CERT:** NOBKJ updated the group. Good interest and sign up for classes at Crazy Days, the Fair, and National Night Out. Check the website for details and news. http://www.steelecountyemergency.com/cert

**Repeater Report:** Everything is running well. Discussion and information shared by NOUW about process and thoughts of moving the 49 to the "bus company" water tower. Discussed benefits of coverage, costs, process grants and support to continue dialogue.

ARES: Check the website for events.

## **New Business:**

**Fall Picnic:** Tentative date for the Fall Picnic at tentative location of Crane Creek Park is Saturday September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00am.

There are General and Tech classes being offered in Rochester.

Get ready for the eclipse on Monday the 21st!

NOUW has been nominated for the Vice Director of the Dakota Division. Let's support our local hams!

Look around if you are up at the Steele County Fair for possible spots for a booth/information stand.

KAOPQW is the new Handy Ham Coordinator and is looking to grow the organization. Discussion on OSCAR interest to be an affiliate.

NOMDC gave an update of the Field Day point totals.

Website: The site is continually being updated. Check often for the latest information. www.oscarmn.org

There was a motion to adjourn by NOUW, seconded by KDOGVR. Motion carried, meeting was adjourned at 9:43am.

A roundtable discussion followed with various topics discussed.

Respectfully submitted by WA0FMG.