November Membership Meeting November 21, 2024 Ferrysburg City Hall

Business Meeting

Finances-Chase Checking \$1,250. Community Fund \$20,418. We have 42 paid members. 15 members have paid for 2025.

Election of Officers – Lucas AC8ZT voted in as VP. Kevin-KE8VZS voted in as our Activities Director. The position of Secratery was contested, so ballets were handed out and it will also be voted on thru Groups. There will be 7 day voting period. Lucas has a software program that will not allow duplicate votes.

Upcoming Programs

December 19– 5 pm Christmas Dinner at Central Park Place 421 Columbus Ave. We will have a speaker, TBD. Spouses are invited to attend. It will be a potluck, that will be curated thru a website. January 24- 7 pm Ferrysburg City Hall. Subject TBD February 20- 7 pm Ferrysburg City Hall. Programming and operation of DMR radios.

Events

Turkey Trot Race-Thanksgiving Morning. Details will be sent out on Groups.io

Jingle Bell Parade- Dec. 7. Parade starts at 6pm. Planning meeting at 4:30 at GHPS.

Winter Field Day January 25 & 26. See Below. MI QSO Party-April 19, 2025.

Presentation

Kevin-KE8VCS gave the club an insight into our Groups.io page. He showed us the different sections that pertain to various interests and how members can access files. There is a new chat option, but only available on an app.

Discussions

DMR- The repeater is now at full 50 watt power. We can now add our enhancements to the system. If anyone needs assistance programming a radio, ask for it on Groups. We will have a presentation at the Feb. meeting.

Winter Field Day. January 25 at 11 am to 26 at 5 pm. Location- Our meeting room at Ferrysburg City Hall. Looking to have 3-5 stations. Will put up an 80 meter doublet. Will operate radios on battery power, but we are allowed to plug

in our computers to outlets. Need CW operators, and any digital, except FT8 or FT4. We will be using a special event call sign of W8W. If a member wants to operate in a camper, we need them to be within 1,000 feet of the main location. We can also do rovers, by using the callsign with a slash. This is a new event for NOARC. If you are interested in participating, contact Levi-N8GMZ at levi.gates@gmail.com.

Constitution – Tom presented some of the changes to the proposed constitution. There was some discussion of meanings. Tom will send the document to the Groups.io site for a vote. This will be designated as Rev. 17.

Respectfully submitted,
Ross- N8GMY