



CHAPTER 122
**SOCIETY OF BROADCAST
ENGINEERS**

'Serving the Public through Quality Broadcast Engineering'

October 2012

SBE Chapter 122 Meeting Minutes 9/13//2012

Meeting begins at 12:28pm

8 Members present

President Bill King begins meeting by asking that the August meeting minutes as printed in the newsletter be accepted.

Rick Foley moves to accept, Paul Mastorakis seconds the motion.

Bill King thanks Chapter Vice President Melissa Limpose for chairing the August meeting in his absence.

Reports

Treasurer: September

Checking Account Balance: \$444.59

Income: None

Savings Account Balance \$1,023.89

August Dividend \$.07

Savings Account Balance \$1,023.96

Frequency Coordination: No inquiry's for either low or high bands

Certification: No requests

Old Business

New meeting location Search: Bill King reports that the Golden Corall has a meeting room available with a set price for the Buffett lunch, this proposal was tabled for further discussion at next meeting.

New Business

Rick Foley motions to donate \$100.00 of Chapter funds to the John Battison Scholarship Fund. Bill King seconds the motion. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

President Bill King motions to include EAS problems, Issues in the monthly report section of the Chapter Monthly meeting. John Clarke seconds the motion, no objections.

EAS problems / Issues will now be included.

Dave Brett asks if anyone has A DTV presentation that could be presented to his ITT Tech class. Mike Orto offers White Paper he wrote on the subject.

Rick Foley motions to adjourn meeting, Bill King seconds the motion. Meeting ends at 12:49 pm.

10th Annual Ohio Broadcast Engineering Conference

Thursday, Sept. 27, 8:30AM to 5 PM at the Greater Columbus Convention Center.

Many vendors and several great forums



OAB's Patrica Geary with speaker Terry Baun



(2 homeless men came in to stay warm)
Past SBE CH 122 president Jim Hartzler
And present chapter president Bill King

Archives from the 10th Annual Ohio Broadcast Engineering Conference:

<http://www.oab.org/engineering/archives10thbroadcastengineering.php>

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Stolen from:

Broadcasters' Desktop Resource

by Barry Mishkind
(www.thebdr.net)

Thanks to Barry and the BDR, a great source for the latest news of the industry,
a weekly e-mail report, and FREE !

Barry has a great section on [The Public Inspection File](#)

- [The New Age of Public Files](#) - Adrienne Abbott
8/9/12 - *The FCC is requiring stations to put Public Information Files on line.*
- **The PIF Folders:**
 - 2/29/12 - [What the FCC expects and why - and how to get it right](#)
 - 3/13/12 - [1 - File Folders 1 & 2: "Welcome" and Authorizations](#)
 - 6/7/12 - [2- File Folder 3: Applications](#)
 - 4/10/12 - [3 - File Folders 4, 5, & 6: "Citizen Agreements, Contours, Ownership](#)
 - 5/18/12 - [4 - File Folders 7 & 8: Political File and non-candidate issue advertisements](#)
 - 7/24/12 - [5 - File Folder 9: EEO - That pesky requirement](#)
 - 10/3/12 - [6 - File Folders 10, 11, &12: The Public and Broadcasting](#)

**ALAN FREED,
NEWS at 11:00 p.m.**

Moscow, London, Naples..
Australia, India, the Aleu-
tians. The battle grounds of
the world are as close to you
as the dial on your radio
when Alan Freed brings the
latest reports direct from the
W K B N news room. Listen
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RECENT FCC NOV and NAL's

9/28/12 - [73.3526](#) - The failure to maintain a Public File properly was the cause of [an NAL for \\$15k](#) to KESQ in Indio, CA. Gulf-California Broadcasting had no Issues & Programs lists since 2005. Excuses that a company with a Time Brokerage Arrangement was responsible did not gain any favor; indeed, the fine was upped by \$5k.

9/28/12 - **303(q)**, [17.47](#), [17.51](#) - Another tower lighting issue: Cox Communications received an [NAL for \\$20k](#) for not having had proper lighting on their 300-foot tower at Portsmouth, VA. The fine was doubled when Cox admitted they had not done the quarterly lighting system inspections and did not know the system was not alarming.

9/27/12 - [73.3526](#) - KPIR, Granbury, TX was granted a \$2k reduction in their fine, as noted in the [Forfeiture Order for \\$8k](#). As noted below (2/7/12), the station was unable to provide its Public File to Field Agents.

9/27/12 - [17.50](#) - And now, three: James Cable, LLC was handed a **Forfeiture Order for \$10k** for failing to repaint/repair its tower in Durant, OK. Although the company said it had been talking about replacing the tower, the FCC essentially said "talk is not enough."

9/26/12 - **303(q)**, [17.50](#) - Two of them this week. Another failure to keep tower paint properly maintained. Allegiance Communications in McAlester, OK, received their [NAL for \\$10k](#) after an inspection. Again, an agent reported he could not distinguish the bands of color at 1/4 mile. This is an easy test any station could - and should - make regularly.

9/24/12 - **303(q)**, [17.50](#) - The importance of keeping tower paint clean and regularly maintained was highlighted by [an NAL for \\$10k](#) given to CBTR Services in Bridgeport, TX. The field agents found enough deterioration that they could not see the different bands from as close as 1/4 mile away.

9/20/12 - **303(q)**, [17.47](#), [17.51](#) - KAGM-FM, Strasburg, CO, received [an NAL for \\$15k](#) after the FCC noted their tower lights were inoperative - and the station had not been doing a daily check. In fact, the lights had been out for four months, for non-payment of the electric bill! The fine was increased 50% for the length of violation and failing to act until after the FCC notified the station.

Monthly Meeting

The October meeting will take place at noon OCTOBER 11th 2012. We will meet at O'Charlies on South Ave., about ½ mile north of Rt 224.

Anyone with an interest in broadcast engineering is welcome to attend our meetings. Bring a friend. The meeting gathers around noon and the business meeting begins just after we order lunch.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

On October 4, 1957, the Soviet Union sent into orbit Sputnik 1, the first artificial satellite in history.

Sputnik's launch came as an unnerving surprise to the United States. The space age had dawned and America's Cold War rival suddenly appeared technologically superior.

October 30, 1957 brought the establishment of WKST-TV channel 45 in New Castle, Pa. The Youngstown Market's first ABC affiliate.. WKST-45 technically became the first full time ABC affiliate in Western Pennsylvania, a few months before WTAE-TV 4 Pittsburgh signed on..

The first location was the First Federal Plaza in New Castle then moving to 3800 Shady Run Road, Youngstown by 1959

And from 1955 !!!!!!!!!!!!!

A very young Dick Biondi !

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