Minutes for NRARC, Inc. – August 14, 2023

<u>Call to Order</u> - A regular monthly meeting of The Bill Gremillion Memorial Radio Club, Inc. <u>DBA, NEWNAN REGIONAL AMATEUR</u> <u>RADIO CLUB</u> was held on August 14, 2023, at the Madras Community Center, Highway 29 north. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. and was presided over by President Gary Beckstedt. The meeting began with an opening prayer led by Larry Chappell.

Attendees:

Voting members in attendance can be seen on the check-in sheet. The Secretary noted that a quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes

A motion and second by to approve the minutes of the July 2023. Motion carried by voice vote with no one voting against the motion.

Treasurer's Report: Walter Jones, Jr. reported the following:

The July 2023 Treasurer's report:

July balance is \$1,386.79. No additional income. No expenses.

Presented by Walter Jones, Jr. Treasurer, NRARC <u>Walter@WalterJones.com</u> (678) 522-3574 KN4NQX, ARRL member, NRARC, KK4GQ by Walter Jones, Jr., Treasurer - <u>Walter@WalterJones.com</u> (678) 522-3574

Old Business:

There was no old business carried over from July 2023 and no one offered any reference to any old business.

New Business:

There was no new business to discuss.

Announcements:

President Gary Beckstedt announced that a nominating committee will be headed up by Walter Jones, Sr. who will offer a slate of officers and directors in September for the upcoming year. We will vote in October on new officers and directors.

We agreed again to table the discussion of a REPEATER DOCUMENT APPROVAL until a future meeting.

Program:

Our program was presented by James H Spencer - WD4NFT Jim's email address is jim.spencer@ua42.org

Jim lives in Highlands, NC, having moved from Tucker Ga. He is a member of the Franklin Amateur Radio Club, in Franklin NC, and lead and participate in their Fox Hunts and other activities. He is also an active NC AUXCOMM member for Macon County. His station is an HF station with an FT-450D with a multi-band OCF as my primary antenna. He also owns the WD4NFT UHF Repeater in Highlands (44.650 + 167.9), linked to the Franklin repeater (145.49 - 167.9)

Jim presented a program on the topic of Winlink. Winlink, or formally, Winlink Global Radio Email (registered US Service Mark), also known as the Winlink 2000 Network, is a worldwide radio messaging system that uses amateur-band radio frequencies and government frequencies to provide radio interconnection services that include email with attachments, position reporting, weather bulletins, emergency relief communications, and message relay.

The Winlink 2 meter packet uses the 1200 baud rate on frequencies 144.93, 145.01, 145.03, 145.05, 145.07, 145.09 and 145.53 MHz.

Respectfully Submitted Rick Melville

Date of Approval - TBD