

Minutes for BGMRC, Inc.

Call to Order

A regular monthly meeting of The Bill Gremillion Memorial Radio Club, Inc. was held on February 15, 2021, at Northside Baptist Church in Newnan. The meeting was called to order at 7:04PM and was presided over by Acting President Gary Beckstedt, WB4GMB, and club Secretary Beth Walker, KB4BAW. Prayer was offered by Larry Chappell, WX4LEC.

Attendees

Voting members in attendance included: see check-in sheet. A quorum was present.

Guests in attendance included: see check-in sheet.

Members not in attendance: see check-in sheet

Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made by Gary Beckstedt to adopt the proposed agenda. The motion carried by a voice vote with no one voting against the motion.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the January 2021 meeting and the Secretary's Special Note concerning the lack of club meeting since January, 2021 was made by Gary Beckstedt. Motion carried by voice vote with no one voting against the motion.

Treasurer's Report: Rick Melville, KK4DDK, reported the following:

Total Current Assets as of 01/31/2021- \$4066.00 in cash. Expenditures include \$849 to transfer the domain name BGMRC.org from Matt Gonter to the club and for web hosting via GoDaddy. Beth Walker is now managing the website and is responsible for updates and maintenance.

Announcements:

Gary Beckstedt:

- A Zoom simulcast is also taking place for those who want to observe the meeting. Based on our by-laws, members must be present in-person to participate in discussions or cast votes.
- 2020 membership will be extended to March 31, 2021. The quorum requirement is based upon the 2020 membership until April 1, 2021.

New Business:

Reminder of update from last month:

Gary Beckstedt – *The Madras fusion repeater is dead and Gary is not able to repair it. It could be shipped to Yaesu for a repair estimate, but the club would have to pay for shipping in both directions. Gary has heard that there may be a pre-sale for a new product that would replace the current model due to issues this model has. This model cannot run on high power. There are no parts available online for the current model. The club needs to consider whether it's worth it to try to repair this model or purchase the new one.*

Todd Walker – WA4TAW provided information on a fusion repeater that Yaesu is offering at a promotional price. There are two options to replace the old fusion repeater:

- DR1X is the same repeater that we currently have that is no longer working. This is a repeater than many clubs have purchased but has failed 6 months out after operating on high power. Cost is \$400
- DR2X operates on high power – improved design. Retails for \$1700-\$1800. Cost is \$700

Todd Walker moves to purchase the DR2X

Diana Beckstedt – WB4DNB seconds the motion

Motion passes by voice vote

Brian Hall, KM4UCV was appointed as committee chair to present a slate of nominees for the 2021 Board. That slate is as follows:

Gary Beckstedt, Sr. – WB4GMB – President

Beth Walker – KB4BAW – Vice President

Rick Melville – KK4DDK – Secretary

Diana Beckstedt – WB4DNB – Treasurer

Frank Kimball – KK4YTM – Board Member at Large

Larry Chappell nominated Carl Bellamy - KN4RNO to Board Member at Large

Election was held by paper ballot and tallied by Mary Jean Kimball – KK4YTN and Beth Walker

Results as followed:

*Gary Beckstedt, Sr. – WB4GMB – President – 12 votes

*Beth Walker – KB4BAW – Vice President – 12 votes

*Rick Melville – KK4DDK – Secretary – 12 votes

*Diana Beckstedt – WB4DNB – Treasurer – 12 votes

*Frank Kimball – KK4YTM – Board Member at Large – 8 votes

Carl Bellamy - KN4RNO to Board Member at Large – 2 votes

*i indicates elected

With no further business, Beth Walker moved to adjourn. Rick Melville seconded the motion with voice approval to adjourn at 7:40 PM

Next Meeting March 15, 2021. Northside Baptist Church – Masks are Required

Meeting at 7PM

Respectfully Submitted

Beth A. Walker, Secretary

Secretary
BGMRC

Date of Approval