

# Minutes for BGMRC, Inc.

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## Call to Order

A regular monthly meeting of The Bill Gremillion Memorial Radio Club, Inc. was held on MAY 10, 2021, at Northside Baptist Church in Newnan. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM and was presided over by President Gary Beckstedt, WB4GMB, and club Secretary Rick Melville, KK4DDK. 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

## Agenda for May 10, 2021:

- *Revisit the resumption of our regular monthly **DINNER** meetings - Meet @ 6 pm for a meal and @ 7 pm for the club meeting.*
- *Resume our discussion on the annual ARRL FIELD DAY in June and the possibility of having it at the new Madras County facility on highway 29.*
- *Scott Marlowe will be presenting to the membership about the New Coweta Sky Warn Group that he has recently formed.*

## Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made by Rick Melville, secondee by Frank Kimble to adopt the proposed agenda. The motion carried by a voice vote with no one voting against the motion.

## Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Larry Chappell, seconded by Beth Walker to approve the minutes of the April 2021 meeting. Motion carried by voice vote with no one voting against the motion.

## Treasurer's Report: Dianna Beckstedt WB4DMB reported the following:

Total Current Assets (Cash) as of 04/30/2021 - \$3,938.34 in cash. Almost all activity in April was attributed to member dues collections. A reimbursement payment to Gary Beckstedt in April for repeater equipment purchased.

## Announcements:

### Gary Beckstedt:

- A Zoom simulcast did not occur because the zoom attendance was so low and meetings are now resuming in person with masks and six foot social distancing. Based on our by-laws, members must be present in-person to participate in discussions or cast votes.
- A successful bike ride was conducted in April (reported by Larry Chappell) to benefit Grady. Over 1,000 riders participated.

## Old business discussed:

- *We should continue to work towards LINKING all of our repeater locations.*
- *Resume the annual Christmas party @ WHITEOAK country club. Scott will report back on availability and cost.*
- *Fundraisers: Have a yard sale in the fall (Larry Chappell offered his wife to hed that up). Larry requested that a list be distributed to those making yard sale donations of things that we do NOT want because they do not sell.*
- *Field Day will likely not be orgqized this year by BGMRC. 2022 will probally be our next field day event.*
- *Gary will investigate if the new MADRAS center will be available.*

## New Business:

### ***Gary Beckstedt, President, presided:***

- *A ballon launch is being planned by Scott Marlow and Hill. TBD. Possible 45,000 ft altitude.*
- *Scott Marlow presented the club with his ideas about the formation and reativation of the COWETA SKYWARN. It will serve Coweta County only and report to the NWS via Rob Muzio. A website has been established at [cowetaskywarn.com](http://cowetaskywarn.com) BGMRC members are requeasted to log in and join this group. Some training will be required. A need to establish a TEXT message system to inform Skywarn participants of a NET was discussed.*
- *No motions were made. No votes on any motions were taken.*

This meeting was presided over by the following officers:

Gary Beckstedt, Sr. – WB4GMB – President  
Beth Walker – KB4BAW – Vice President  
Rick Melville – KK4DDK – Secretary  
Dianna Beckstedt WB4DMB  
Frank Kimball – KK4YTM – Board Member at Large

With no further business, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn.

Next Meeting June 14, 2021. Masks are no longer required.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05PM

Respectfully Submitted

*Rick Melville*

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Secretary  
BGMRC

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Date of Approval