

NRARC Minutes for February 12, 2024 Business Meeting

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by the President at 19:00.

Attendees / Quorum:

All Board Members were present. Membership attendance was taken and recorded. A quorum was established and acknowledged. Attending for the first time was member Rod Bailey.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve 08 January 2024 minutes was made by Walter Jones, Jr and second by Frank Kimble. Motion was voted without objection to accept.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's Report was presented by The Treasurer and approved.

BALANCE **\$2295.33**

The funds from the 50/50 drawing was \$50 and forwarded to the Treasurer making the current balance of \$2,345.33 The member who won the 50./50 returned his portion to the club.

Old Business:

1. The Canogate feed line and antenna will be taken down by the County at no cost to our club. Volunteers were called for to remove the remaining equipment. No member volunteered at the meeting. Bob Proffitt asked if we could build our own building beside the existing one since the issue is rack space and not room on the tower. Other members said that the cost of electrical and internet would make it implacable.
 - a.) Later in the meeting the Madras site was discussed. It was advised that while we intend to retrieve the equipment that the feed line and antenna would be abandoned because of its age. It was not made clear at the meeting whose decision that was.
2. Club insurance has been obtained at the cost of \$200.00.
3. There has been no movement on existing Committee Coordinators and noted that any member can serve on the committee but will need a voting member to chair. It was noted that a new Multimedia Committee has been established and someone with extensive social media experience would be needed.
4. No movement on the Talk With Santa initiative because EJ Bauman was hoping to talk to Todd Walker at one of the meetings. EJ said he will contact Todd to see if he is willing to train our Santa.

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New Business:

- 1.) EchoLink has been down and we are soliciting for someone to host the node. We would need someone that has a dedicated computer, internet, and radio that can reach the Temple Avenue repeater. EJ Bauman will post on the Face Book Group Page.
- 2.) The President is looking into requirements and training required to provide testing. Testing will probably be quarterly on a Saturday.
- 3.) Walter Jones, Jr advised about the estimated cost for a space and catering for the Christmas Dinner. The current reserved date is Tuesday, December 10, 2024. The current estimated cost per person is \$40 - \$50.
 - a. A question was raised as to what the cost would increase to if sufficient people would not show up. It was stated that NRARC would put the money up and recoup by way of ticket sales.

Announcements:

- 1.) The quarterly eat and greet will be held at the iHOP in Newnan February 19, 2024 at 6:30 pm.
- 2.) The Fox Hunt is scheduled for February 24, 2024 with Sam Smith serving as The Fox. The Fox Hunt is scheduled for 1 pm with the likely location of somewhere East of I85 with details TBD.
- 3.) A simplex net was proposed to be scheduled once per month.
- 4.) Training was proposed to use W4EEY material with a review. The process is expected to last 8 weeks.

The business meeting was adjourned. Walter Jr. motion and Bob Second unanimous approval to adjourn at 19:35.

There was a presentation after the business meeting regarding the use of Multi-Meters and Safety.

Draft respectfully submitted by:
EJ Bauman, Jr.
Secretary
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The minutes was adopted without amendment at the March 11, 2024 Meeting
EJ Bauman, Jr.
Secretary
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