

Bankhead Amateur Radio Club, Inc.

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Meeting Minutes: November 9, 2021

Members & Guests Present:

Ed Weatherford (KS4B)	Bruce Kelso K4BDK	Sonny Blankenship N4JDB	David Hicks N4DPH
Tommy Lovelady AE4TL	Martin Carraway K04NEI	David Lowery KE4DIS	Bobby Hyatt KD4AMG
Bruce Shelton KD4KRH	Todd Winsor KS4T	Blake Terry K4BTR	Tom Wright W4TFW
Warren Kelsoe KN4MR	Tim Terrell N4TMT	Mark Andrews N4FH	Bud Rogers K9NOZ
Lile Bickley K4NA	Rex Free KN4CI	Brent	

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm PM by Ed Weatherford- Prayer by Todd Winsor - Pledge by Ed Weatherford

The club is starting our 39<sup>th</sup> year. 15 total in attendance.

**Minutes**: David Hicks read the minutes. David Hicks reported the September minutes are posted on the website. Contact him if you need an updated password. Motion & Second to accept October Minutes. Motion carried.

**Treasurer Report:** Previous Balance \$1236.12. Dues are payable to the treasurer. Current Balance \$ 1236.12. Insurance comes due soon. Motion & Second to accept. Motion carried.

### Old Business:

Update on prayer requests.

- The club's anniversary will be May 7, 2022. We have a special event call sign, N4B, for an 8 hour operation, probably at the Super Site.
- Super Site- October 23<sup>rd</sup>- assembled tower except for top section, Removed the louvers that are leaking on the north end and replace with plywood. Paint acquired for the exterior of the building.
- Bruce Kelso made the motion that any additions to the Super Site or the 96 Site need to be discussed at the club meeting and approved. Seconded and the motion carried on voice vote.
- Sonny & Ed will check on the possibility of guying the Super Site tower or perhaps lowering it. Dylan Blankenship will climb. Ed will notify via email on the next work day.

### Program

- Warren Kelsoe took photos at the Super Site work day and the club viewed them.
- Sonny Blankenship demonstrated a 1947 Telegraphy morse trainer. The hand cranked unit operates from of paper tapes for 10 lessons that can be run at various rates.
- Mark Andrews showed a microBitX transceiver. This was designed by an engineer from India so local hams could afford it. The boards are soldered and all you have to do is assemble it.
- David Hicks talked about finding nearby Winlink stations during grid down. He also displayed presentation from DX Engineering on Top 10 tips for FT-8.

#### **New Business:**

• Motion to pay for EMA director, TVA Rep, and Harley's dinner. Motion carried.

#### **Next Meeting:**

December 14, 2021 at 6:30 pm at the Western Sirloin Steakhouse in Moulton.



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Adjourn 07:56 PM.





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