



Meeting Minutes: March 8, 2022

Members & Guests Present:

Ed Weatherford (KS4B)	X	Bruce Kelso K4BDK	X
David Hicks N4DPH	X	Sonny Blankenship N4JDB	X
Tommy Lovelady AE4TL		Martin Carraway K04NEI	X
Bruce Shelton KD4KRH		Todd Winsor KS4T	X
Warren Kelsoe KN4MR	X	Tim Terrell N4TMT	X
Lile Bickley K4NA		Rex Free KN4CI	X
Bobby Hyatt KD4AMG		David Lowery KE4DIS	X
Tom Wright W4TFW		Blake Terry AB4BT	
Bud Rogers K9NOZ	X	Mark Andrews N4FH	X
John Howard KI4WLY		Brent Robeson WB3KYJ	X
Tom Grubbs, N4QYN		Wesley Slaton, W4CFI	
Steven Hoff N9FC	X		

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

The club is starting our 39th year. Total in attendance- 12 .

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

Treasurer Report: Previous Balance \$1277.86. Current Balance \$ 1297.86. Motion & Second to accept. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Update on prayer requests.

- Continued prayers requested for Naomi Winsor.
- Bobby Hyatt is now in a nursing home at Hampton Cove and needs our prayer.
- Todd Winsor reports Vickie Lewis needs a kidney transplant & needs our prayers.
- The club's anniversary will be May 7, 2022. We have a special event call sign, N4B, for an 8 hour operation.
- 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 determined we need 1 short and 2 long guy wires for the Super Site tower. Dylan Blankenship will climb. Ed will notify via email on the next work day.
- Tom Wright reports he has enough coax for the Super Site.
- The club decided to request the Moulton Storm Shelter for the 40th Anniversary Special Event Station on May 7, 2022. We will have the May club meeting on the 7th at the special event. Mark will grill out.
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Program:

- Todd Winsor made a presentation on a homebrew Vertical Dipole.
- 2m vertical dipole (driven element on top, reflector on bottom). Copper pipe.



- HF 10m-80m using wire rope and an “ugly” balun.

New Business:

- Jim Martin, K4JLE, a charter member of BARC celebrated his 91st birthday this month.
- The club will restart the Skywarn Training Net on Thursdays at 7:45pm on 145.27. Rex will put an announcement on the 145.27 repeater. A new preamble will be on the website.
- Tom Grubbs reminded the club that the Battleground repeater is on and needs more activity. The frequency is 146.415 with a 1 meg offset (147.415) and PL71.9. (these settings are necessary because of interference from a Nashville station).
- Rex reminded us the Courtland repeater is available on 145.25 PL100.
- Patrick Nagle is seeking a grant to install a Winlink node at the Colbert County EMA.
- LC EMA purchased an ICOM IC-7300 for club use.
- Bruce announced the “27 Breakfast” on the third Friday’s at 6:00am.

- Each January, membership dues are payable. Current paid members as of 2/8/22 are:

John Howard- KI4WLY
 Brent Robeson- WB3JYJ
 Mark Andrews- N4FH
 Tim Terrell- N4TMT
 Rex Free- NK4CI
 Ed Weatherford- KS4B
 Sonny Blankenship- N4JDB
 Lile Bickley- K4NA
 Martin Carraway- KO4NEI
 David Lowery- KE4DIS
 Allen Hensley- KE4AH
 Bruce Shelton- KD4KRH
 Steve Flory- W9KOP
 Tom Grubbs- N4QYN
 Warren Kelsoe- KN4MR
 Blake Terry- AB4BT
 Bud Rogers- K9NOZ
 Tom Wright- W4TFW
 Wesley Slaton- W4CFI
 Jim Gassaway – K4XQ
 Todd Winsor- KS4T- Life Member
 David Hicks- N4DPH- Life Member

Next Meeting:

April 12, 2022 at 7:00 pm at the Lawrence County EMA in Moulton.

Adjourn 7:55 PM.