

AJARC

Meeting Minutes April 1st, 2025

Location: Old Oak Tap Room

Present: 23 Members, 1 Guests, Larry Whiteside lead the meeting. (No leadership could attend the meeting tonight.

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 6th, 2025, 19:00, Old Oak Tap Room

Meeting

Meeting called to order by Larry Whiteside KN4MVH

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Larry Whiteside

Pray was provided by Abner Richards (K4MIK)

1. Roll call of attendees/call signs

2. Secretary/Treasurer report

Elijah reported checking balance: March 30th, 2025 \$6,950.38

Interest: \$0.59

Deposits: \$71.09

Walmart Spark: \$2.00

PayPal transfer \$46.06

PayPal Transfer 23.03

Expenses \$36 GEA

Artistic Printers (HamFest Flyers \$100.00

GEA Power Bill: \$35.00

Fairgrounds Rental: \$660.00 (4/11/25)

Membership: 60 members. Three are expiring in April. Donations or renewal of memberships can be made through PayPal or by check. Please check on your membership on the AJARC.org web site.

3. Old business:

Tower /Repeater update (Bob Gass reported for Bryan): The guys making the updates to the new repeaters had some parts issues but are now working though them. Need to schedule a work party but after the HamFest, depending on weather days, we will get a work party scheduled to upgrade the equipment. More information will be coming once Bryan gets back into town

HamFest 2024: April 19th, 2025, one day before Easter this year. We are an approved ARRL event, have several vendors currently including M+L Radio, Al Hood, Lakeway Radio Club and others. Set up is Friday afternoon and evening. We will need help setting up tables and chairs in the commercial buildings, laying out the flea market parking lot in advance. Please arrive Saturday at 630 to help with parking and those many to do things. VE testing is at 10am.

Signed lease agreement, insurance certificate and check for \$660 has been given to Rhonda Humbert with the Greene County Fairgrounds

Education Committee report Steven Bible (N7HPR)

- (1) Summer Camp program will be held again this year. Steve posted something on Facebook.
- (2) WSCC Talented and Gifted -Wil be done next year again.
- (3) Steve introduced three people attending that were part of the Walter State class that passed and received their licenses.
- (4) Greene Co. Makers: Classes and programming continue and we're having successes.

- (5) Steve, along with Chris (who is a new licensed ham) will be working on a boy scout event June 29th, 2025. About 40 Scouts will attend a Ham Radio themed Camporee this April (I think the weekend after our Hamfest).

4. New Business:

Larry Whiteside has proposed to SKYWarn leadership to have Greene County move from SKYWarn District 7 to SKYWarn District 6. This would move us away from the district that is using only GMRS as the sole means to communicate during weather related events and training and put us into a district that is more in line with other counties that use amateur radio as the primary means to activate during events and do training nets. Larry has had a discussion with Dale Knight of District 6 about this and Dale has no objections to this change. He will be working on the process to make the change happen. There was a motion to support this move from District 7 to District 6 as presented by Larry Whiteside (KN4MVH), by Larry White (AG4OB) and seconded by several members. Motion passed unanimously.

Then Larry Whiteside wanted to just confirm that the AJARC club members would allow the use of the AJARC repeaters for emergency SKYWarn net activations if we held a county wide only SKYWarn net and related training nets. NWS SKYWarn leadership would like to see us have our own county level activations and training nets rather than rely on the entire District to activate during weather-related events. Club members felt that there was no issue with doing this, of course we would need to confirm and schedule the dates and times once things are firmed with about holding them.

5. Roundtable:

No other bus

Meeting adjourned at: 19:25 with a motion by Larry White (AG4OB)