



Bartlesville Amateur Radio Club

Meeting Minutes

4 October 2018

I. Call to order

Pete, KF5BMZ called to order the regular meeting of the Bartlesville Amateur Radio Club at 7:01 p.m. on 4 October 2018 at First Christian Church (Fellowship Hall 520 S Osage Ave, Bartlesville, OK).

Guest were welcomed

II. Approval of minutes from last meeting

A motion to approve the previous month club meeting minutes as posted on the club website was made, seconded, voting was in the affirmative with no opposing votes.

III. Approval of financial report

Glen K5UP read the treasurer's report. A motion to approve the treasurer's report as read was made, seconded, voting was in the affirmative with no opposing votes.

IV. Old Business

- a) Club Logo – Club members voted on a logo at the previous meeting. The winning logo will be presented at the November club meeting
- b) Christmas Dinner - Dink's Pit Bar-B-Que has been reserved for 6:00 p.m. on December 6.
- c) Web Site Hosting
David – KX5I proposed moving from GoDaddy to QTH.com for hosting our web site for at least a year. GoDaddy does not offer free SSL certificates which would be an additional cost to the club to provide HTTPS content. GoDaddy costs about \$120 a year where QTH will cost about \$60 a year and offers free SSL certificates. A motion to approve changing of web hosting was made, seconded, voting was in the affirmative with no opposing votes.
- d) IRLP/Echolink Node Relocation

The node was relocated to the residence of Eric – N4VY. Him and KX5I are still working through some networking issues to get the services online.

V. New Business

- a) Web site content was discussed. A request to add a page with local repeater and HF nets was requested. We used to have a calendar, but the calendar application was no longer supported so it was decommissioned. KX5I will develop a new page with the requested content.
- b) Pete – KF5BMZ brought up a discussion about Field Day and the interference caused by having too many HF stations in close proximity. He asked to club members in attendance to think of solutions and be ready to discuss them at the November club meeting.
- c) A discussion was brought up about the Club should develop a contingency plan for hosting events at another suitable meeting location should we lose our current location. The discussion was tabled and will be discussed at the next board meeting.
- d) We decided to begin the presentation prior to adjourning the meeting. Don – KE9XB presented pictures of what he found at our 655 repeater site, which ties into our tentatively planned repeater site maintenance day. The city painted their pump house building and painted our repeater building. They also did some work on the roof of the repeater building. Concerns were also expressed regarding the wind load of new devices mounted on our tower.

We plan to meet at the repeater site on Saturday October 20 to do maintenance. More details to follow in an email. Some of the maintenance day tasks, inspect the guy wires, tension the guy wires, remove tree branches that may impact the tower and guying system.

- e) We discussed the possibility of mounting an omni directional antenna array of ARDEN Wi-Fi antennas at the 76 repeater site. The site will be analyzed to determine if the antenna array will have an unobstructed 360 degree pattern.

VI. Adjournment Business Meeting

A motion to adjourn the business portion of the meeting 7:44 p.m. was made, seconded, voting was in the affirmative with no opposing votes.

VII. Presentation

See New Business notes (d) above.

Minutes submitted by: David, KX5I

Minutes approved by: BARC Board