

April 2023 Meeting Minutes/Secretary's Report

The meeting was held on Monday April 10th, 2023 at 1900 EST. Twelve members were needed to constitute a quorum and 14 members were present.

Officers present were:

Joe KO4BAX

Lew KM4RLO

Bob W4RWC

Tom KQ4CLQ

Members present were:

Dave N4GMU

Terry W6LMJ

Greg N4ZZN

John KO4KVV

Randy W4RSR

Jim W4WJR

Ken AE2KP

David KA4LRQ

Don KE5TUC

Diane KF5HUQ

Kelly KO4YLW

Dave N4NG

Gerard WT0F

The meeting was called to order at 7pm at the St. John's Lodge at 2557 N. Spring Garden Ave. in Deland.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Bob calls for reports. Lew notes that the treasurer report is posted to the website. Lew points out that Ken never received the March minutes for posting on the website. Joe KO4BAX understands and will correct this.

Bob calls on Dave T. regarding testing. Nothing this month. Next month testing is completely open.

Bob calls for member introductions. Members introduce themselves.

Lew discusses the state of the repeater project. The repeater works but not very well. Bridgecomm recommends sending it in for repairs. There are options for borrowing a unit while ours is in for repairs.

Dave N4GMU says theres a backup already installed in Hugh Ash Manor.

John KO4KVV volunteers to disconnect the old repeater and connect the backup.

Terry W6LMJ asks to be involved with repeater replacement.

Group agrees to remove existing repeater unit and send in for repairs. In the meantime KO4KVV will install backup repeater.

Lew mentions that the website is down. Ken AE2KP has repaired the website and footed the bill. The members vote to reimburse Ken and offer him our gratitude.

W6LMJ asks that the club get more organized with presentations. He suggests that we schedule presentations 3 months in advance. The group agrees. It should be put on future agendas.

Ken AE2KP volunteers to handle next months presentation regarding POTA.

Gerard WT0F suggests we start a Groups.io Listserv for club discussions. Joe acknowledges and will try to implement.

Lew says he'll reach out to Tony to check in on whether his yard is available for club usage during Summer Field Day.

Lew brings the clubs attention to the list of members who are in arrears with their dues.

New member "Kritter" Petrovich introduces himself. Firefighter, hiker, interested in radios. He will be testing on May 13th.

Jim W4WJR will discuss digital modes and hotspots after the meeeting.

Net control is as follows April 12 KO4BAX, April 19th John KO4KVV, April 26th Tom KQ4CLQ, May 3 Ken AE2KP.

Bob mentions CB Shop that has gear for sale.

Terry buys 20 raffle tickets and wins the 50/50 raffle and donates the winnings to the group.

The meeting is adjourned.