

## September 2023 Meeting Minutes/Secretary's Report

The meeting was held on Monday September 11th, 2023 at 1900 EST. Twelve members were needed to constitute a quorum.

Officers present were:

Joe KO4BAX

Lew KM4RLO

**Bob W4RWC** 

Members present were:

No Callsign - Eli Fabian

**KE5TUC Don Davant** 

**KO4IWQ Jim Cluck** 

**KQ4INM Critter Petrovich** 

KQ4JTC Thomas R. Dubois

N4NG Dave Templeton

N4ZZN Greg Geist

W4HRD Rick Dwyer

W4RSR Randy Richardson

W4WJR Jim Reisen

W6LMJ Terry Redding

WW4GPL George LeGault

Visitors present were:

KQ4JWS Randal Jackson

William Novack

Gary Konecky

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

We recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary report is called for. The repeater is down. We are expecting replacement tomorrow.

Bob brings up the idea of changing the net schedule and how we run them.

N9CLD suggests we add rag chew element to the 2m net.

The idea of not having enough time for rag chew was floated by numerous members.

Terry suggests leaving the time of the 2m net alone.

N4NG says the original purpose of the 2m is to prepare people for emcomm and formal nets.

Terry suggests that full members are only officialized if they've run net control that year.

KO4BAX calls an informal vote to see who prefers to keep the nets as is and who prefers to change them in some way:

8 voted to keep net as is. 9 voted to change nets.

24 people are present.

KO4KVV suggests a rotating roster of net controllers.

N9CLD becomes net manager.

Jim Cluck shares his experience with other clubs in NC. He feels there's not much traffic normally on the 2m repeater. He suggests comments might improve participation in the net.

W6LMJ says its important to keep the 2m net as it is because of other nets that rely on the time slot being as it is.

N4NG refocuses and moves the meeting along.

KM4RLO gives his treasurer report. No expenditures at this moment.

WW4GPLI votes to approve the treasurers report. KO4KVV 2nds.

Secretary report is also approved.

N4NG reports on testing. 5 candidates. All succeeded. 2 generals and 3 techs. For renewals, make sure you have a CHORES account.

W6LMJ volunteers to join the repeater committee. He is now in.

KO4KVV reports on the repeater. The Bridgecomm is past its service date according to WW3A as reported by N4NG. KN4EHC is prepared to buy a new repeater to replace the existing one. There is some discussion about whether or not the club should purchase it. Also discussed is the need to make an insurance claim. John mentions that Scott is also purchasing an Allstar Node that will add lots of capabilities to our DMR repeater.

N4NG says that the club needs to be responsible for the repeater. The repeater can be donated with express statement that it belongs to the club. Insurance will not cover equipment that is not the clubs.

John will discuss the topic with Scott and come back to Octobers meeting with a consensus on what this will cost to replace the clubs repeater.

KM4RLO presents 3 new members. KO4KUS James Yager of Daytona Beach Extra Class, KQ4JWS Randall Cunningham is a Tech, KJ4TLF Jedd Allebach. They are all voted in.

KO4BAX wins the 50/50. \$37 is donated to the club.

THe meeting is adjourned.