



November 2023 Meeting Minutes/Secretary's Report

The meeting was held on Monday November 13th, 2023 at 1900 EST. Thirteen members were needed to constitute a quorum.

Officers present were:

Tom KQ4CLQ
Lew KM4RLO
Bob W4RWC
Joe KO4BAX

Members present were:

John KO4KVV
Terry W6LMJ
Gerard WT0F
Kritter KQ4INM
Tony KT4KM
Jim W4WJR
Charlie KD4NLA
Don KE5TUC
Lew KM4RLO
James KO4IWQ
Dave N4NG
Chris N4RRJ
Greg N4ZZN
Joe N9CLD
Randy W4RSR
Cully WW4OCF

Guests Present:

Gary Kocecky
Nathan McDonell & Sons
Larry Bornacelli
Manny Arroyo

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

KO4BAX gives a secretary's report. We have elections coming up. As of now we have KQ4CLQ running for President. KN4EHC running for Vice President and KM4RLO running for Treasurer.

We need volunteers to fill the secretary position as KO4BAX will be moving and cannot be certain about making it to every meeting.

KO4BAX also asks KT4WM to confirm that Winter Field Day is still a go at his QTH. KT4WM confirms. Winter Field Day is upon us.

KO4KVV wants to present on linking the node. N9CLD on netlogger. We will have no presentation in December in light of elections.

KO4KVV and N4RRJ announce candidacy for secretary positions.
The secretary report is approved.

KM4RLO gives his treasurer's report. He informs us that the club funds are currently \$1,649.70.

KQ4CLQ comments that the funds as stated do not yet reflect the money brought in from the insurance claim.

KO4KVV reports in about the repeater. We now have a custom Allstar node. The node is under John's callsign and node number.

KO4KVV runs a quick demonstration on how to connect to his allstar node.

N9CLD presents his net report. 4 nets in October. 64 total check ins. Total time of 2hrs. Usually a half hour each. No traffic. He calls on KT4WM to talk on net engagement.

Tony jokes about the advanced class. Tony talks about how net control is worth trying. He gives a very encouraging case for everyone trying net control at least once.

N4NG gives his testing report. We had a test on Saturday the 11th we have a new tech from Altamonte Springs. KQ4INM passed his general and so did Jim. This was our last test for the year. Second Saturday of January will be the next test. We test every other month.

We recognize a guest who is presenting a non-profit venture to the club. They are applying for a low power FM station. Deland is underserved for the commercial side of FM radio. They are in need of a tower for their venture. KO4BAX volunteers to field any interest from the club and communicate it back to them.

We vote in Frederick Holder W4FVC a new technician. His dues have not been paid.

KM4RLO shares a fundraising event on December 2nd from 9-2 at the St Johns Lodge. Its an opportunity to have a public face for the club. We can set up a table at the event. All proceeds go to The House Next Door. KQ4INM and KO4BAX will show up and represent the club. Any other members who would like to join us in representing the club are more than welcome.

KQ4CLQ presents on the topic of grounding.

W4RSR wants us to setup a club call for WFD. Tony says he will look into it. An FT8 station would also be fun.

The 50/50 is raffled off and various items are awarded to the various winners. Christopher Errson N4RRJ \$67 is donated back to the club.

Gerard will present on ARDN next available date.

The meeting is adjourned.