

Minutes ARE January 10, 2024

General Meeting called to order at 19:00 by Erik N5EOB.

Members Present: Erik N5EOB, Greg K2ROG, Chris KE5KPC, Suzanne KG5VTM, James WJ2K, Dewey KI5UWK, Jim N5JCP, John W5FFS, George KC5QEX, David K4JLM

Guests: Bobby KJ5CFZ

Minutes: George made a motion to accept the November meeting minutes, seconded by Greg. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: For the month of November we had 1 transaction of \$412 for the CERT Radio Shirts that we will recover as members pay for them. The starting balance was \$2600.65 and the ending balance off \$2188.65.

For the month of December we had several transactions, members paid dues and the club purchased the antennas for the backup EOC of \$484.90. Beginning balance was \$2188.65 and the ending balance of 1978.30.

Greg made the motion to accept both November and December treasures report, seconded by George. Motion passed.

Events: The club social will be at 6pm on January 15 at 54th St 2201 State Highway 121 Euless, TX 76039.

Cowtown Hamfest January 19 and 20.

ARE Fox Hunt January 21 at 9am.

Tarrant County Skywarn January 27.

HEB Joint Radio Club breakfast is every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday 7am at Egg Haven Café 760 Airport Fwy, Suite 100, Hurst TX, 76053. RSVP is need by midnight on the Thursday before the breakfast.

Also during Field Day we talked about participating in Texas State Parks on the Air, <https://www.tspota.org>. This event is the 3rd weekend in April. April 20 and 21. We decided to go to Fort Richardson State Park in Jacksboro Texas. They have cabins to rent there with AC. We will have to book our sites in November on the 20 to make sure we have a site. More information is found on these 2 sites. <https://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/fort-richardson> and <https://texasstateparks.reserveamerica.com/camping/fort-richardson-state-park-hist-site-and-trailway/r/facilityDetails.do?contractCode=TX&parkId=1200098> (this is the webpage you use to book your site). If you have never been to Fort Richardson, it is well worth the visit.

Business: James made a motion to accept the application for membership from Bobby Bowen KJ5CFZ, seconded by David. Motion passed. Welcome to ARE.

For the month of November we had 19 volunteer hours, December 27 hours and for the year 2023 401 hours. Please make sure that you log your hours in Better Impact.

<https://app.betterimpact.com/Login/Volunteer>

Lon Lease NL7LE donated some items for the club to give away.

The executive board applied for a micro grant from Irving Amateur Radio Club to pay for all or part of the antennas for the backup EOC. We should know before the end of the month if we received the grant.

Greg, James, and Chris packed up all of the club equipment that we are going to put in dry storage. Some the items that we will need in the coming year will be stored at a few members houses. Chris has a list of where everything is being stored.

Chris will research if we can use Zelle to accept dues payments.

David, George, and James have volunteered to server on the audit committee for 2023 club financials.

Motion to adjourn was made by John at 19:57, seconded by Dewey. Motion passed.

Minutes are submitted by: Chris Shanahan KE5KPC