

# Monthly Club Meeting Minutes

## date

2023-04-15

## convened

09:39

## adjourned

10:33

## Officers

- **President:** David Bailey (K5DKB) *present*
- **Vice President:** Paul Bilke (KF5WGJ) *present*
- **Secretary:** Matthew Barry (KG5LYE) *present*
- **Treasurer:** Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ) *present*

## Attendees (15)

*Quorum attained!*

- Kevin Walton (K5BTX)
- David Bailey (K5DKB)
- Mike Wisby (KA5HIA)
- Robert O'Connell (KC5DWB)
- Don Hutchcraft (KE5ADX)
- Ken Reeves (KE5FIV)
- Paul Bilke (KF5WGJ)
- Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)
- Joe Napoli (KG5SDF)
- Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)
- Rich Rychetsky (KI5QNR)
- David Wisby (KI5SHY)
- Tom Johnson (KI5ZPG)
- Jim Hanks Jr. (W5CYN)
- Ralph Cobb (W5RYC)

## Officer Reports

### President

*David Bailey (K5DKB)*

- Looks like weather is going to cooperate today
- Radio in the Park at Tanglewood Park
- Severe weather potential this evening
- IRS paperwork filed
- 2023-04-18 International Radio Day (and Tax Day)

### Vice-President

*Paul Bilke (KF5WGJ)*

- Field Day committee check-in after meeting
- Committee meeting coming up Wednesday, 2023-04-19
- Field Day is usually a big fundraising event for the club
  - Raffle has been a large part of this
  - Last year spent \$1481.63 and brought in \$2,733
  - Things are a little more expensive this year
  - More prizes for general public (not just radio stuff)
- Motion by Jim Hanks Jr. (W5CYN) to budget ~~\$1,700~~ \$1,500 to purchase field day raffle prizes
  - seconded by Robert O'Connell (KC5DWB)
  - amended by Jim Hanks Jr. (W5CYN), seconded by Don Hutchcraft (KE5ADX), passes unanimously
  - passes unanimously
- Thought to simplify meal to make it easier to adapt to number of people
  - Hot dogs, burgers would be more relaxed and

- BBQ requires head-count in advance
- Include breakfast tacos Sunday morning
- Door prizes: if you're in a store, please pick up a little something to donate
  - 3D printers: get on [Thingiverse](#) or [Thangs](#) to find random things

## Secretary

*Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)*

- Name tags have been ordered
- They will be the nice engraved style

## Approval of Minutes

- Hearing no corrections, minutes stand approved as sent out
- Minutes from this meeting will be sent out later today

## Treasurer

*Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)*

- Purchased video projector for the club

## Last Month's Statement

- Starting balance: \$8,804.43
- Income: \$30
  - Membership Dues
  - ARRL donation for new members
- Ending balance: \$8,834.43

## Club Merchandise

- Winter Field Day 2023 stickers: \$2
- Club logo pins (limited): \$3
- Club logo stickers: \$2
- Club logo window clings: \$2
- Club logo patches: \$5
- Club keychains<sup>NEW</sup>: \$2

## Membership Renewals

Membership can be renewed in any of the following ways:

- online at [Ham Club Online](#)
- request PayPal invoice via email
- mail in cash or check (PO Box 4442, Bryan, TX 77805-4442)
- bring cash or check in-person at a meeting

## Other Business

### Join us for Breakfast

- "Best-kept secret of ham radio"
- Breakfast on Saturdays at Coco Loco on Welsh Ave 07:30-ish

## VE Session

- 1 new tech: Patrick
- 2 upgrades to extra
  - Kevin Walton (K5BTX) got a perfect score!
  - David Vickers (KI5WEH)
- Future exams will be held at 11:00am after the meeting
  - Can do them monthly in this case

## Robertson County ARES

*Jim Hanks Jr. (W5CYN)*

- Meeting this month: 2023-05-13

- VarAC setup

## RACES

Mike Wisby (KA5HIA)

- Additional ham equipment approved for new building at RELLIS
- 6 antennas
- furniture

## Honorary Membership for Charlie Culver (KD5DLW)

Kevin Walton (K5BTX)

- Charlie has done so much for the club: he hosts our repeater on his tower without cost to the club
- He is currently not a member of the club, but I would like to nominate him for honorary membership
- Circulating the petition printed below; please sign if you support it!
- Contact Kevin Walton (K5BTX) at [baptist@comcast.net](mailto:baptist@comcast.net) or (540) 219-1930 if you want to sign
- KA5HIA: still waiting to have a “ribbon cutting” for the new tower he put up a while back

**April 15, 2023**

**To the Membership and Officers of the Bryan Amateur Radio Club (BARC):**

I wish to submit for consideration the application of Mr. Charles W. Culver (KD5DLW) for an Honorary Membership in the Bryan Amateur Radio Club, Bryan, Texas.

Mr. Culver has been a long-time supporter and advocate for the Bryan Amateur Radio Club and the various functions and activities of our club.

Mr. Culver has provided, from his own resources, repeaters, tower space, electrical power, and technical support for our club's use (without cost) for many years.

Mr. Culver is a man of good character, a friend to many in our community, and a guiding voice for the advancement of our hobby as amateur radio operators.

It is my honor to submit to the current membership and the officers of the Bryan Amateur Radio Club this petition for Mr. Charles W. Culver to become an Honorary Member of our club. And per our Constitution and By-Laws, such a member shall not pay dues or fees and shall be entitled to hold office and vote.

Honorary membership requires a **two-thirds vote** of the current membership, and by my signature below, I hereby acknowledge, affirm, and **vote for** Mr. Charles W. Culver (KD5DLW) to become an Honorary Member of the Bryan Amateur Radio Club.

**Submitted by: Kevin L. Walton (K5BTX)**

## “Traffic for Hearne, TX”

Mike Wisby (KA5HIA)

- checked into 7290 Traffic Net
- ARLL Radiogram for Hearne, TX, to our own KI5FIZ
- Delivered it by phone

## Health and Welfare / Good of the Order

- If anyone needs help with anything please reach out to the club. You can contact any of the officers at:
  - [officers@bryanarc.org](mailto:officers@bryanarc.org)
- KA5HIA: Dick Zimmer (W5DZ) is getting out of rehab sometime this week
  - will be in a wheelchair
  - in good spirits, sends his greetings to the club

## Closing

- motion by Don Hutchcraft (KE5ADX) to adjourn

- seconded by Kevin Walton (K5BTX)
- passes unanimously

## Next Meeting

2023-05-20 09:30 at American Legion Post 159

## Show and Tell

- Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ): “Spark Plug” Antenna for (tr)uSDX radio