

Nov 2024 Club Meeting Minutes

date

2024-11-16

convened

09:30

adjourned

10:07

Officers

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

Attendees (26)

Quorum attained!

- David Bailey (K5DKB)
- Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)
- Ralph Cobb (W5RYC)
- David Cooper (KI5JPG)
- Ron Estes (KJ5EFO)
- Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)
- Phil Gates (N5ZKF)
- Ron Hambric (N5SBN)
- Tom Johnson (KI5ZPG)
- Jeff McDowell (KI5CES)
- Bob O'Connell (KC5DWB)
- Rick Pfeil (W4RDP)
- Bill Preston (KZ3G)
- Rich Rychetsky (W5SON)
- Brad Snyder (W5BLS)
- Mike Streiff (KJ5EEV)

- Harold Turbyfill (KG5SDG)
- John Walker (W1JCW)
- Ken Wilson (KE5DFR)
- Mike Wisby (KA5HIA)
- Nathan Wood (KN4TTV)
- David Snyder
- J. Russel Hatton
- Charls Bunyard
- Jason Shutt (KI5LGO)
- Elizabeth Shutt (KJ5IDP)

Officer Reports

President

David Bailey (K5DKB)

- We have quorum today, so the business counts
- Presentation of the slate of candidates
 - Thanks to Mike Wisby (KA5HIA)!
 - Officer elections will be at our next meeting: 2024-12-21
- January Luncheon
 - [Cooper's BBQ](#)
 - 2025-01-18 11:00
 - Llano Room

Vice-President

Paul Bilke (KF5WGJ)

excused

Secretary

Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)

- Nametags can be ordered directly from [Hen House Awards](#)

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)

Last Month's Statement

- Starting balance: \$8,114.72
- Income: \$55
 - \$5 donation
 - \$5 club merch
 - \$15 dues
 - \$30 VE fees
- Disbursements: \$144.98
 - \$114.98 Veteran's Coffee Kolaches
 - \$3 VE fees
- Ending balance: \$8,024.74

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 logo keychains: \$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

5th Thursday Veteran's Kolaches

Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)

- We previously approved an amount not to exceed \$100
- The number of attendees has increased, so we need to budget more

Motion by **Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)**:

to increase the not-to-exceed amount for 5th Thursday Veteran's Coffee to ~~\$130~~ \$150

Seconded by *Ralph Cobb (W5RYC)*.

Discussion

- KA5HIA: money well-spent, helps improve our presence and image. We've even gotten some new hams from of the group
- KI5ZPG: should we put an expiration date on the motion? Not necessary
- N5SBN: maybe make upper-bound \$150 so we don't have to revisit for a while...

Motion by *Ron Hambric (N5SBN)*:

to amend the motion to increase amount from \$130 to \$150

Seconded by *Bob O'Connell (KC5DWB)*.

Outcome: *passes unanimously*

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Winter Field Day

Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)

Front money/budget for planning

Motion by *Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)*:

to allocate \$500 for Winter Field Day 2025 planning and preparation

Seconded by *Jeff McDowell (KI5CES)*.

Outcome: *passes unanimously*

Holiday Party

Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)

- I'm hosting a holiday party at my house for the club!
- 2024-12-15 14:00/18:00
- [509 Wheelock St, Hearne, TX](#)
- [Event info page](#)
- If you want to bring something, please feel free to!

Brazos County ARES

Ron Hambric (N5SBN)

- Meeting Monday 2024-11-18 18:30
- American Red Cross, [4244 Boonville Rd](#)
- Plan to set up the radio station and check into the ARES net.

Robertson County ARES

Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)

- Meeting last weekend
- Built a J-Pole antenna (show and tell)
 - Special thanks to Bob O'Connell (KC5DWB)
- Next meeting is in December
 - 2024-12-14 09:30
 - Volunteer Fire Dept on [Glass St, Franklin](#)
 - Building AIOC (all-in-one connector; homebrew digirig)

SKYWARN

Ron Estes (KJ5EF0)

- Gulf is now silent
- Will be a little rainy next week

RACES

Mike Wisby (KA5HIA)

- New offices at RELLIS
- We have 2 brand new Yaesu FTDX10 radios ready to go!
- Still waiting on contractor to run coax
- Planning to participate in interop exercise in April 2025
 - HF and Winlink

Repeater Updates

Paul Bilke (KF5WGJ), proxy Phil Gates (N5ZKF)

- W5BCS repeater was offline recently:
 - went into configuration mode
- Remote options
 - D-STAR
 - Broadcastify
 - Echolink improvements:

- Direct audio instead of RF transmitting
- Currently out of commission until that is complete

Member Greetings

Mike Wisby (KA5HIA)

- Henry Menefee (W5RAS), one of founding members of the club is at Submariner's meeting
 - Served on S-boat 32 during WW2
- Greetings from Dick Zimmer (W5DZ)

Approval of Slate of Candidates

Election Committee, chair Mike Wisby (KA5HIA)

The current slate of candidates is as follows:

- **President:**
 - David Bailey (K5DKB) has agreed to continue serving
- **Vice President:**
 - Paul Bilke (KF5WGJ) is unable to serve
 - Tom Johnson (KI5ZPG) has agreed to run
- **Secretary:**
 - Matthew Barry (KG5LYE) has agreed to continue serving
- **Treasurer:**
 - Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ) has agreed to continue serving

Motion presented by committee:

to accept slate of candidates as presented

Outcome: *passes unanimously*

Hearne Lions Club Raffle

Russel Hatton

- \$10 per ticket
- Firearms
 - Lever-action 22 rifle
 - Shotgun
- Drawing will 2024-11-18

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

Closing

Motion by Jeff McDowell (KI5CES):

to adjourn the meeting

Seconded by Ralph Cobb (W5RYC).

Outcome: *passes unanimously*

Next Meeting

2024-12-21 09:30 at American Legion Post 159

After-Meeting Presentation

Winlink by Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ), Ron Estes (KJ5EF0), and Bob O'Connell (KC5DWB)

- Clients
 - [Winlink Express](#) (Windows-only)
 - [Pat](#) (cross-platform)
- Transmission Methods:
 - telnet (Internet-only)
 - [VARA FM and VARA HF](#)
 - Always upper sideband data mode
- Hardware:
 - [digirig](#)
 - [Signalink](#)
- Modes of operation:
 - Peer-to-Peer
 - Gateway repeaters (to Internet)
 - Radio-only repeaters
- Tips:
 - Write down your configuration once you get it working
 - Message will not be saved in Winlink system:

- you get one chance to download it to whatever computer you use to check for it
- after that, you won't see the message when you connect on another computer