

MIDLAND AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
Monthly Club Meeting Minutes

Date: October 14, 2024 **Minutes Recorded By:** Brian Kirby

Call to Order at 8:00pm.

President: Frank Alvarado

Vice President: Marc Russell

Secretary: Brian Kirby

Treasurer: George Robertson

Directors: Alan Sewell, Jim Hunnicutt, Joe Ybarra

Attendance:

In Person 9

Remote 2

Total 11

Recite old minutes.

Motion to approve by Jim Hunnicutt, seconded by Tim Kreitz.

Treasurer's Report: The club broke even on the field day gear and polo shirts.

New balances: Bank Acct \$18,349.62, PayPal \$310.39, COD \$21,500.83.

Motion to approve by David Overton, seconded by Joe Ybarra.

Old Business: The clubhouse A/C has been repaired by Alan Sewell by replacing the capacitor.

CAF Airsho museum display radios may go to Exxon for display.

The tailgate went well, and raffle prize was delivered to the winner by Joe Ybarra.

New Business: David Overton is now the new ARRL West Texas Section Manager through June 2025 when they hold regular elections. A letter of recommendation was provided by our club president Frank Alvarado, AD5D, and will be transcribed and included as Exhibit "A" to these minutes.

The family of Darrell Byrd, W5XXX (SK), has estate items to be sold. Jim Hunnicutt has photos and is working with the family. We need to determine how we can help and discuss a plan with them.

A nominating committee for next year's club officers has been formed and all candidates have been identified. The committee consists of Daren Bishop, David Overton, and Roger Rose.

The club is looking to find new weekly net control operators for the Tuesday club net on 147.300 at 9pm to provide some relief for David Overton. If you would like to help, please contact David Overton.

ARRL November Sweepstakes is coming up soon. We need to consider plans now if we want to operate as a club. Please contact David Overton for plans if some prefer to operate from the clubhouse.

The Christmas party is coming up, and Dos Compadres was suggested for 6:30-8:30pm.

Motion to adjourn by Roger Rose, seconded by Marc Russell.

Minutes concluded at 8:39pm.

Meeting/Presentation Topic: Fire Extinguisher Information and Use

Topic Presenter: Toby Bunch and Rocky Guzman of the Midland Fire Department

EXHIBIT "A"
to
MARC Minutes on October 14, 2024

Email from: Frank Alvarado, AD5D
Email to: MWalters@arrl.org (Mike Walters, W8ZY, ARRL Field Services Manager)
Date: September 19, 2024

Sir,

I recommend David Overton, W5JDO, our Section Emergency Coordinator in West Texas, to replace Dale Durham until his term expires June 30, 2025. David is very knowledgeable and very active in the Amateur Community. He has been an asset to the Midland Amateur Radio Club by keeping the members active and assisting in community functions. He is very active on the radio and can also be found being active on HF nets providing emergency communication. Please consider David as a replacement.

Sincerely,

Frank C. Alvarado, AD5D
Club President, Midland, TX