



# NORTH OKAOOSA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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## MINUTES BUSINESS MEETING

8 April 2021

### Opening (7:00 PM)

- Pledge of allegiance (The Flag was not available.)
- Prayer
- First Time Visitors/Introductions
- Meeting conducted in Live Oak Baptist Church and on Zoom.

### Opening Comments:

#### Officer's Reports

##### Secretary's Report – Ralph KM4JJS

- Minutes are posted for November 2020

##### □ Treasurer's Report – Bob Hurley (KN4UDT)

- Total Bank Equity: \$9,266.89

##### Executive Board Report – Bob Murphy KI4MEU

- None at this time.

- **Motion to accept** all officer reports: Motion Carries: N4GXX 1<sup>st</sup>, KI5FR 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried.

#### Club Committee Reports

##### ◆ Training and Advancement Committee Report

- The General License study course, held over Zoom video communication software, ran from January 25 to March 08, one night per week, and three hours per session. There were 13 students signed up; attendance was from nine to 11.
- Mike and I want to thank the instructors, especially since almost everybody had to do a pretty extensive rewrite of the old General license instructional material. ARRL continues to “improve” their electronic media for the classes. The instructors were:

##### ◆ Tech Night – Rob K4SPJ

- No Report.



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- ◆ **Station Committee** – KI5FR & N4CU
  - Trouble with ICOM-Radio control program.
  - No information on the lightening protection.
  - Thanked KI4MEU for putting our meetings on ZOOM. KI4MEU stated that thanks for the ZOOM effort goes to many people.
  - Congratulations to N4GXX for recovering from COVID.
  - Going to be an Hurricane exercise on April 30<sup>th</sup> and you have to RSVP to Kenwood by the April 28<sup>th</sup>.
  
- ◆ **Activities** – KN4UDS
  - Triple B festival was a success. Everything went well and the booth was a success.
  - Contact with the Car Show was made but they have not gotten back with KN4UDS.
  
- ◆ **Youth Committee** – Scott KF6LEC & Kathy KM4YOH
  - No Report
  
- ◆ **ARES (non-club report)**
  - No Report
  
- **Motion to accept all committee reports:** KK4WDQ 1<sup>ST</sup> & AJ4XK 2<sup>ND</sup>

## Old Business

- ◆ SHU Foundation – Need new point person. Robert will look into this. He is interested.
- ◆ **Field Day** – Need new Field Day point person. Scott Money Penny no longer able to do it. Looking for someone to fill the position. Also need to make a decision on whether we are going to go back to an in person Field Day or continue one more year with a dispersed Field Day. The question was asked and it looks like we will be going back to an in person Field Day. Some discussion was done. N4GXX stated that if we do not have someone to fill Field Day point position that we will have to go back to a dispersed Field Day.
- ◆ **Repeater** – N4GXX has been requesting an apprentice to learn the repeater with an eye toward taking over one day. One person is highly interested and



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N4GXX was going to meet with him tonight. Looking for at least 2 people. At least able to climb the tower up to 250 feet where the Antenna is located.

◆ Try to put together a multiple person group to cover the multiple pieces, (Transmitter, programming, climbing the tower), of the Repeater.

## New Business

- ◆ N4GXX Yard maintenance is needed on the Repeater site. KM4SPJ has a 16ft flatbed trailer to transport yard equipment needed. There are 3 buildings and taking care of 30 ft around the buildings as well as weed eating.
- ◆ KI4ZER swap meet at the Church or a HamFest with PARC at the Crestview Community Center. There is interest by several vendors. Investigate in coordinating with PARC on doing a Swap Meet or HamFest in the North End of the county. KI5FR suggested that a HamFest may not be able to put together in 2 months but a Tailgate us doable and can put us into the position to have a position of a 2022 HamFest.
- ◆ KI4MEU would like to see a group of volunteers that are willing to do what is needed to put together functions. We as a club need to come together to figure out what we are going to do. Take a look at what our mission is and if we need to modify it that is what we do. We also need to find a way to engage the younger people.

Announcement:

W4BZM - QSO party is coming this month (April 24-25, 2021). It will be on the website.

KI5FR – Club Station is open after the club meetings. It is underused and needs to be used.

## President's Remarks (Bob Murphy – KI4MEU)

- Donation for the Church accepted in the donation Pail.
- Remember the Sign In Sheet.
- Adjourn for Burger King on South Ferdon.