RVARC MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, AUGUST 22, 2023

The Rappahannock Valley Amateur Radio Club (RVARC) meeting of August 22, 2023 began at 7:01 PM EDST with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States led by the 2nd Vice-President, Dave Perrussel, KV4TZ. Club President, Chris Collins, KN4LLQ, was absent. The minutes of the last meeting, as posted on the web site, were accepted with no corrections. Two guests were in attendance from Lake of the Woods. After they were introduced, the club members introduced themselves.

Dave Wilson, AC4IU, was not in attendance and would not be giving tonight's program.

Dave Perrussel also gave the membership report. There are 112 members in the RVARC of which 76 are in the ARRL. Until a replacement is identified, he is willing to update the RVARC website as needed.

The Treasurer, Sheri Kenny, KM4JMD, reported \$6939.73 in checking, \$6199.15 in the CD, and \$155.00 in the 50-50 account.

Activities Manager, Scott Larimer, KN4RPA, was absent, so Dave Perrussel gave the activities report. He said upcoming events are the Cannonball Century Bike Ride on Saturday, September 16 with three races and the Fall Foliage Adventure Race on Saturday, October 14 with two races. Scott Larimer needs some volunteers for the Marine Corps Marathon in Washington on Sunday, October 29.

Scott Houppermans, KQ4EOL, is pursuing a Boy Scout program for the Field Day next year.

The Jim Steele Memorial Tailgate party will be held on Saturday, October 28 from 8 AM to Noon, with October 21 as a back-up date. Marquee Cinema is the likely location.

There still is interest in having an amateur radio station to help celebrate Military Veterans at Spotsylvania on November 4, a week before Veterans Day, and a radio club at the Spotsylvania High School. Support from RVARC members is desired.

In New Business, Jim McCloud, KU4C, asked about the location of the club's projector and started a discussion about use of high frequency bands for financial market activity.

The meeting adjourned at 7:36 PM.