

RRC BOD MEETING MINUTES 2023, AUGUST 8

By: RRC BOD Secretary Harry Hoffman, W3VBY

Attendance: Harry Hoffman, W3VBY; Joe Pietruszynski, AC3DI; Jason Potter, K3WDF; Nate Rosenthal, N2ADD; Scott Scheirer, KC3PCS; Chris Schlegel, K3ADA; Craig Wanner, K3CRG, and Ron Waszk, K3RJW. (8)

Absent: Janine Galiyano, K4AJZ.

Visitors: None

This BOD meeting was held on Tuesday evening at 7:30 p.m. August 8, 2023 by a ZOOM computer meeting with BOD members present in their homes.

RRC President Joe Pietruszynski, AC3DI, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

We opened the meeting with the pledge to the American Flag.

RRC Secretary Harry Hoffman, W3VBY, had sent the preliminary July 11, 2023 RRC BOD Minutes by e-mail to all BOD Members. The final approved copy will be sent to all Board members, Rich Ahrens (W3WJC), and to Scott (KC3PCS) & Lori Scheirer, the Editors of the RRC Bulletin.

A motion was made by Ron Waszk, K3RJW and seconded by Scott Scheirer, KC3PCS, to accept the July 11, 2023 RRC BOD Minutes with changes. The repeater phone number will not be listed. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

TREASURERS REPORT

RRC Treasurer Nate Rosenthal, N2ADD, sent the Treasurers Report by e-mail to all BOD members. It gave the Income Statement Covering 7/01/2023 to 7/31/2023, and the Balance Sheet as of 7/31/2023. Report accepted as given.

CORRESPONDENCE

Parts for a radio sold at the HamFest were not picked up. Radio Station WEEU is looking for an entry level RF engineer.

MEMBERSHIP

An RRC Membership Form was received from Todd Fox, W3TFF at the HamFest. Dues were paid and signatures attached. A motion by Scott Scheirer, KC3PCS, and seconded by Chris Schlegel, K3ADA, was made to accept W3TFF as an Associate Member of the RRC. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

TRUSTEES REPORTS

W3BN – Trustee Craig W. Huntsinger, K3CWH. (not present – no report necessary)

The expiration of this license is March 6, 2026.

W3CCH - Trustee Harry Hoffman, W3VBY. (present – no report necessary)

The expiration of this license is September 16, 2024.

MEETINGS

Our next General RRC Meeting will be held at the Ag Center on Friday evening August 11, 2023 starting at 7:30 p.m. The topic will be a 15 minute long video on VNA (Vector Network Analyzer) BASICS, part 1 .

No Fox Hunts scheduled.

No Pagoda Awards.

The next FLDIGI net will be held on Thursday September 7th on the 146.91 repeater starting at 7:30 p.m. This event is held on the first Thursday of every month.

A Simplex Radio Test will be held on Saturday August 12th at 1 p.m. on 146.55 MHz.

OLD BUSINESS

We now have 98 RRC Members.

Repeater status: The repeater backup battery has been installed and tested. Jason Potter , K3WDF, reported that a Apha Delta ATT3G50M static suppressor has been installed in the coax line.

On Saturday September 23, 2023 we will have a special event station at the QTH of Steve Dobbs, NE3F, celebrating the 275th anniversary of the founding of the city of Reading.

Tuesday September 26, 2023 is the Limerick Drill practice.

Our August 5th HamFest had one of the largest gate counts (184) in the history of the Club. Our gate receipts were over \$1000. We had 4 commercial vendors.

NEW BUSINESS

Ron Waszk, K3RJW, led a discussion about the use of the RRC Associate Membership class. Should we eliminate it?

Harry Hoffman W3VBY gave his RRC Reading Post Office Box Key to Ron Waszk , K3RIW.

After a discussion with Bob Famiglio, K3RF, at the HamFest, Bob is reviewing a letter to Rich Ahrens, W3WJC, concerning the Dear Path Repeater Site. It addresses the Technical and physical aspects of the site.

We discussed some of the RRC equipment stored at the QTH of Don McKinney, W3FCT. Should we sell some of it?

Winter Field Day will be held January 27-28, 2024. We need a location for the event.

The next **RRC BOD Meeting** is scheduled to be held on Tuesday evening September 5, 2023 at 7:30 p.m. We plan on using ZOOM for all future RRC BOD Meetings.

The RRC ZOOM BOD meeting was adjourned at 8:43 p.m. (Time in session as a Board 1 hour 13 minutes)

Thank you, Joe Pietruszynski, AC3DI, for helping us arrange the RRC ZOOM BOD meeting.