

## RRC BOD MEETING MINUTES 2023, SEPTEMBER 5

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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.  
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Absent: Janine Galiyano, K4AJZ.

Visitors: None

This BOD meeting was held on Tuesday evening at 7:30 p.m. September 5, 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 August 8, 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 Chris Schlegel, K3ADA and seconded by Ron Waszk, K3RJW, to accept the August 8, 2023 RRC BOD Minutes with corrections. 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 8/01/2023 to 8/31/2023, and the Balance Sheet as of 8/31/2023. Report accepted as given.

### CORRESPONDENCE

A letter was sent to Rich Ahrens, W3WJC, concerning the Deer Path Repeater Site. It addresses the Technical and physical aspects of the site.

### MEMBERSHIP

An RRC Membership Form was received from Tom Mounce, KC3VZJ. Dues were paid and signatures attached. A motion by Harry Hoffman, W3VBY, and seconded by Chris Schlegel, K3ADA, was made to accept KC3VZJ 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 September 8, 2023

starting at 7:30 p.m. Chris Schlegel, K3ADA, will present a talk on the operation of the VNA (Vector Network Analyzer).

The next Fox Hunt is scheduled for September 17, 2023.

No Pagoda Awards.

The next FLDIGI net will be held on Thursday September 14<sup>h</sup> 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 September 9<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m. on 146.55 MHz.

Boscov's "Friends Helping Friends" Tickets are available for \$5.

#### OLD BUSINESS

We now have 99 RRC Members.

Repeater Status: We hope to gain access to the key soon. For safety - only two or more are allowed to have access to the Repeater site. We have seen a slight improvement in noise reduction with the addition of the Alpha Delta static arrestor in the coax line. It is too slow and we think a lightning rod up high would help.

On Saturday September 9, 2023 we will have a Special Event Orientation at Steve Dobbs, NE3F, QTH at 7:30 p.m.

On Saturday September 23, 2023 we will have a Special Event Station at the QTH of Steve Dobbs, NE3F, celebrating the 275<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the city of Reading.

Tuesday September 26, 2023 is the Limerick Drill practice.

#### NEW BUSINESS

The RRC Club mailing Post Office Box has been changed to the Wyomissing Post Office for convenience. The old P.O. Box is still covered until April 2024. Ron Waszk, K3RJW, and Harry Hoffman, W3VBY, have keys to the new RRC Club mailing P.O. Box.

A motion by Chris Schlegel, K3ADA, and seconded by Nate Rosenthal, N2ADD, was made to approve changes to the RRC By-Laws to delete the RRC Membership Class of "Associate Member". The changes are subject to approval by the RRC Membership at the October 13, 2013 RRC Membership Meeting. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

A motion by Chris Schlegel, K3ADA, and seconded by Scott Scheirer, KC3PCS, was made to elevate Ron Dietrich, KC3WBA, to Full Membership in the RRC. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

A motion by Scott Scheirer, KC3PCS, and seconded by Nate Rosenthal N2ADD, was made to move all but \$1,000 from the Diamond Share Account to Customers checking account Motion passed with majority voice vote. Ron Waszk, K3RJW, opposed and Jason Potter, K3WDF, abstained.

Ron Waszk, K3RJW, has an Icom 745 HF Transceiver, Power Supply, and Auto Tuner for sale for \$150. After some discussion a motion by Harry Hoffman, W3VBY, and seconded by Scott Scheirer, KC3PCS, was made to purchase the unit for the RRC. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

The RRC has a lot of equipment stored at the QTH of Don McKinney, W3FCT. It was decided that we should look over the stored equipment in early October and then make a decision if some of it should be sold.

The 2024 RRC Meeting Dates at the Ag Center have been submitted and entered into the Ag Center schedule book.

A motion by Chris Schlegel, K3ADA, and seconded by Ron Waszk, K3RJW, was made for the Treasurer to write a check for \$200 to the Borough of Sinking Spring for the rental of the Freight Station and Heritage Park for our Field Day event, RRC Picnic, and Hamfest. Motion assed by a unanimous voice vote.

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

The next **RRC BOD Meeting** is scheduled to be held on Tuesday evening October 10 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 8:58 p.m. (Time in session as a Board 1 hour 28 minutes)

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