

**The Enid Amateur Radio Club (EARC)
MINUTES OF JANUARY 2018 MEETING
January 18, 2018 (ARCLight-20180118.pdf)**

NOTE: THIS IS A PROPOSED DRAFT PENDING ADOPTION BY MEMBERS PRESENT AT THE NEXT REGULAR CLUB MEETING.

The Enid Amateur Radio Club held the January monthly meeting Thursday evening, January 18, 2018, in the Fellowship Hall of the Salvation Army Citadel, 220 West Pine Avenue, Enid, OK.

MEMBERS and guests present: M. LOOMIS/N5KFN, O. HAINES KF5IXX, D. PLANK/KE5PQY D. LOCKE/KC5SII, S. COTTER/KD5EUS, B. KECK/K5ECI, T. MCANALLY/KD5KTB, R. MURROW/AE5WA, B. NOKES/W5EIY, J. SCOUTEN/KG5CWV, C.SAULS/WA5RZJ

J. Scouten, Club President, called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m..

Health and Welfare--

J. Scouten asked for Health and Welfare concerns and mentioned that Kenny/KD5ONG was having health problems.

Minutes of previous meeting--

- Motion by B. Nokes, second by M. Loomis [CARRIED, unanimous] to accept the minutes of the December meeting as distributed and as posted to the EARC website. (ARCLight-20171209.pdf).

Treasurer's Report--

Club Treasurer, B. Keck provided a printed report with exact balances in EARC checking and savings accounts as of the meeting date, along with a list of recent banking transactions. The accounts both have positive balances with all bills paid. B.Keck also reported that the Club's equipment insurance policy (#RSC11051) has been paid for calendar 2018. IRS Form 990N has been filed. Both Woodring Veterans Memorial and Central Christian Church had acknowledge receipt of donations made by EARC in memory of D. Chael/KC5GUD deceased Club member.

- Motion by S. Cotter, second by M. Loomis, [CARRIED, unanimous] to accept the Treasurer's report.

Old Business--

B. Keck reported that at least two EARC members rang the donation bells for the Salvation Army the past holiday season. Thanks to B. Keck/K5ECI and M. Holloway/N5GEX for their time. Other members that had signed up to volunteer indicated that the Salvation Army never contacted them with a time or location to ring the donation bells.

Red Dirt Barbecue will be held Friday, April 20th starting at 6:30a.m. and the Club plans to help again this year.

The Club has heard nothing formally from the tower owner north of Carrier where EARC had hoped to locate the 145.290 repeater. Absent formal notification one way or the other on the Carrier location, a Motion to pursue possible installation of the Clubs 60' tower and 145.290 repeater equipment at Wheat Capitol's Willow Street location was discussed.

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No vote was taken on this motion but O. Haines volunteered to talk with the property owner, Dwayne Posey/KC5QVS, to get a better understanding and verify what the potential use by EARC of the location might be. It was also mentioned that the Club should continue searching for potential repeater locations. If the Posey location works and the Club installs the 145.290 repeater there now and later finds another location for it the 147.150 repeater could possibly then be located at the Posey site.

R. Murrow mentioned that the \$1.00 annual amount owed to Jimmy Johnson for EARC use of EMS facilities on South Van Buren (previously MERC) and W Maple (EMS training room) per the Memorandum Of Agreement was due on 1 November 2017 and each anniversary we still have access and hasn't been paid yet. R. Murrow advised he had paid the \$1.00 when the agreement was signed in October 2016 and would pay it again this time but had forgotten to pay it until recently.

New Business--

J. Scouten discussed possibilities that EARC could pursue in 2018 such as setting up Ham radio demonstrations in communities within a 30 mile radius of Enid. Another suggestion from the membership was to target planned events of the towns in the same area by setting up Ham radio demonstrations during the locals planned events instead of trying to generate interest for Ham radio on our own. A discussion of what we could provide as both demonstrations and as handout materials was discussed. No formal action was taken.

J. Scouten asked what events the Club wanted to support in 2018 and essentially the same events as 2017 was the consensus of members present. No motion was made.

J. Scouten announced the annual Presidents Chili/Pot Luck Dinner will be held on the next regular monthly meeting date Thursday February 15th at 6:00p.m. at the Willow Road Christian Church Fellowship Hall. Bring your favorite chili recipe or other another pot luck delicacy or desert.

Adjournment--

Motion by S. Cotter seconded by B. Nokes [CARRIED, unanimous] to adjourn at 7:41 p.m..

Respectfully Submitted,
Rick Murrow/AE5WA, EARC Secretary