

# The Villages Amateur Radio Club (TVARC) Meeting Minutes for October 2024

These minutes are the board-approved record of The Villages Amateur Radio Club's expenditures of club funds, property transactions, contractual agreements and proceedings involving membership votes since the last General Membership meeting of September 12, 2024. The current club property inventory and financial report can be found on the club's website.

## October 3, 2024 TVARC Board Meeting Minutes

The meeting, which was held via Zoom, was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Officers present: President George Briggs (K2DM); Vice President Mike Regan (KM4ZTE); Secretary Michael Hissam (N8NBE). Those who were present constituted a quorum.

#### **Board Actions:**

- 1. The Board voted unanimously to replace the planned Radio on the Square with the previously postponed picnic. The new picnic date will be Wednesday, November 13 at Rohan.
- 2. The Board voted unanimously to authorize expenditures not to exceed \$150 for Sharon McKinney to spend on centerpieces for the annual Christmas party.
- 3. The Board voted unanimously to authorize expenditures not to exceed \$150 for three \$50 gift cards as door prizes for the annual Christmas party. Prizes will also include items from the current club inventory. KM4ZTE will acquire the gift cards.

## **Board Direction and Discussion:**

- 1. Punchbowl will be used as part of the communication media for the Christmas party.
- 2. K2DM led discussion about the need to complete controller work for the 443.225 repeater.

**Treasurers report:** None available.

## **Board meeting Adjourned**

K2DM, with board agreement, adjourned the Board meeting at 6:40 p.m.

## October 17, 2024 TVARC Membership Meeting Minutes

After the 45-minute period of socializing, President George Briggs (K2DM), opened the meeting at 6:45. There were 62 members and 3 guests attending. The attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance, after which new members and visitors were asked to introduce themselves. This was followed by members announcing significant anniversaries and birthdays.

## **President's Report**

K2DM summarized the recent board meeting discussions (see above in the board meeting minutes). Then he detailed the plans for the club picnic on November 13.

## **Treasurer's Report**

Bruce Cusanelli (WA1UTQ) reported on the status of the club's treasury.

WA1UTQ also presented a status report on local repeaters. The 443.225 Motorola repeater was replaced by the club's Yaesu repeater. The antenna support for the 145.110 repeater was blown about 30 degrees off of vertical and needs to be repaired.

## **DXCC Standings**

Pete Stafford (K2PS) described the latest DXCC standings, member accomplishments and supplied information for upcoming contests/expeditions. This information will be available on the website.

#### Program

Ray Fallen, ND8L, gave a very interesting presentation about his job as a DJ at WVLG.

## **General Membership Adjourned**

After Ray's presentation, 50/50 tickets were drawn. K2DM adjourned the general membership meeting.

Submitted by Michael Hissam (N8NBE), TVARC Secretary, and George Briggs (K2DM) TVARC President