



**USS Batfish & USS Oklahoma Amateur Radio Club
Meeting Location: Muskogee War Memorial Park
Meeting Minutes April 06, 2024**

Officers:

President - Mike Manring, AE5QL

Vice-President - Earl Stutzman, KG5EWK

Treasurer - Gary Burch, W5ODS

Secretary - John Martin, W5EJK

Trustee - Wade Harris, WA5DE

The April 6th, 2024 Batfish & Oklahoma Amateur Radio Club meeting was a combination of in-person and Zoom. Total attendance was 12, consisting of 9 in-person and 3 Zoom. The requirements for a quorum were met. Mike Manring called the meeting to order at 10:03 local time.

Minutes of the March 2nd, 2024 meetings were read. A motion to accept the minutes was made, seconded, and passed.

The Treasurer reported that the Club has a Cash-On-Hand balance of \$2,049.13.

Old Business:

1) Jim Erb gave an update of the Museum status. The new AT&T internet system is working, it has a 15 port hub, the advertised speed is 15 Mb, the measured speed today is 11 Mb down and 5 Mb up. Some carpentry work is needed for repair of the picnic tables the Club had built and maintained. Some of the tables might need to be replaced.

2) Repairs to the tower trailer were discussed. The tower was painted in time for the Green Country Hamfest in Claremore. Batteries for the trailer were extensively discussed. There was no clear consensus for what type of batteries, how many batteries, and when or even if the battery change should be made in the near future. It was decided to forestall this decision since there is no immediate change needed.

3) Mike is the contact person for any Green Country Hamfest plans, ideas, or questions. It appears that table space will be limited. Wade Harris will be selling a large number of items from the estate of a silent key.

New Business:

1) Please send any information and pictures to Michelle Carey for the Club's website concerning upcoming events and activities, including pictures of the Club's refurbished tower trailer.

2) The remains of Mess Attendant 3rd Class David Walker, who was lost during the December 7th, 1941 Pearl Harbor Japanese attack, were identified in November 2023 by the DPAA (Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency). David is a cousin of Club Member Horace Wellons. Details are available on our Club's website, ussbatfisharc.com.

The next Club meeting is scheduled for Saturday May 4th, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:58 a.m.

John Martin, Secretary