



**USS Batfish & USS Oklahoma Amateur Radio Club (<https://ussbatfisharc.com/>)**

**Meeting Location: Muskogee War Memorial Park**

**Meeting Minutes November 02, 2024**

**Officers:**

President - Mike Manring, AE5QL

Vice-President - Earl Stutzman, KG5EWK

Treasurer - Gary Burch, W5ODS

Secretary - John Martin, W5EJK

Trustee - Wade Harris, WA5DE

The November 2nd, 2024 Batfish & Oklahoma Amateur Radio Club meeting was a combination of in-person and Zoom. Total attendance was 11, consisting of 8 in-person and 3 Zoom. The requirements for a quorum were met. Mike Manring called the meeting to order at 10:19 local time.

Minutes of the October 5th, 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 \$1,853.58, no change from last month.

**Old Business:**

1) Jim Erb gave a Museum report. The War Memorial Park has a new Point-Of-Sale system in place, as well as a savings account. The City of Muskogee claims to have a way to offer donations receipts for IRS deduction purposes. Jim has a meeting scheduled with Oklahoma's Lieutenant Governor, Matt Pinnell. Jim is also working on new tee-shirt designs.

2) The December 7th Club event, possibly including a way to honor David Walker, Jr in the event, was discussed. The event is scheduled for Saturday, both day and night.

3) Ways to safeguard Club member's email addresses and other information was discussed, and it was decided that some safeguards will be implemented.

4) The new antenna issues of dipole vs. beam and build vs. buy were discussed. It was decided to not purchase an antenna for now and to improvise with what we currently have.

5) Earl Stutzman reported on the Heartland Antique Radio Association Swap Meet. He stated that the turnout was a little less than expected.

6) Wade Harris reported on the cost associated with remote operation.

**New Business:**

1) Earl Stutzman invited Club members to the Tulsa Radio Club Christmas party at the Asbury Church in Tulsa, Thursday December 19th at 18:30. Cost is \$12.00 to \$13.00 per person, and a White Elephant gift exchange is planned.

The next Club meeting is scheduled for Saturday December 7th, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 local time.

John Martin, Secretary