



USS Batfish & USS Oklahoma Amateur Radio Club (https://ussbatfisharc.com/) Meeting Location: Muskogee War Memorial Park Meeting Minutes February 1, 2025

Officers:

President - Mike Manring, AE5QL Vice-President - Earl Stutzman, KG5EWK Treasurer - Gary Burch, W50DS Secretary - John Martin, W5EJK Trustee - Wade Harris, WA5DE

The February 1st, 2025 Batfish & Oklahoma Amateur Radio Club meeting was a combination of in-person and Zoom. Total attendance was 9, consisting of 6 in-person and 3 Zoom. The requirements for a quorum were met. Mike Manring called the meeting to order at 10:11 local time.

Minutes of the January 4th, 2024 meetings were read. A motion to accept the minutes was made, seconded, and passed with one correction and one addition.

The Treasurer reported that the Club has a Cash-On-Hand balance of \$1,818.58.

Old Business:

1) Jim Erb gave a brief Museum report. He stated that very little has happened during the past month at the Museum, and also that there is no update concerning the Batfish exterior lighting damage.

2) There was a short discussion of the tower trailer status.

3) Michelle Carey has created a YouTube channel for the Club.

4) Club participation in Green Country, April 11th & 12th, was discussed. The Club will bring is large monitor, but a power source has not yet been arranged.

5) Wade Harris explained some of the Batfish emergency lighting history. He had purchased some battle lanterns to be modified and used as emergency lighting, but then Brent Trout decided to install modern emergency lighting.

6) The north storage shed contents will be inspected to see what Club items can be taken to Green Country. The remaining items should be removed.

7) Changing the April meeting date was briefly mentioned but no decision was made.

New Business:

1) The idea of a Club raffle at Green Country was discussed. After hearing ideas and concerns, it was decided to pursue the idea again more thoroughly before next year's Green Country.

2) Also discussed was selling some Museum Gift Shop items at Green Country, including Batfish patches and the book "Sinking The Rising Sun." No decisions were made.

3) Wade pointed out that more QSL cards are needed.

4) Club participation in Memorial Ships Weekend, June 7th & 8th, was discussed.





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5) Ideas and concerns of the Club's Tower Trailer being used by others was talked about, including always displaying the Club's banner, trailer storage location, and a ,aster scheduling list for reservations. John Martin is to research cost and sources for two tool box mounted signs.

The next Club meeting is scheduled for Saturday March 1st, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:23 local time.

John Martin, Secretary