

Whitman Amateur Radio Club Meeting Feb 01,2023

Chris Babbitt N1CFB Paul Delory W1GTX

Treasurer

Bob Azanow WA1Q
Secretary

John Murphy WI1G

President

ATTENDANCE: 41

Members and guests were social isolated at the K of C and on Zoom including 3 elected officers. Members and guests attended in person and via ZOOM. Photo by **WK1D Jeff** Thank You Jeff.

WA1Q Bob Azanow N1BSO John Laiosa KB10EP Mike Supple N1SOM Jeff Tracy WK1D Jeff Ayres KC1PXN Lou Lachance AG1B Richard Metcalf KG5VXY Mike Madonna **WG1WG Bill Gundel W1MBH Scott Mitchell Guest Larry Jacobs KC1JMZ Ted Wojcik W1AY Brad Wilson N1QE Jack Foley

Vice President

N1CFB Chris Babbitt
N1IQI Loren Pimental
KB1FBA Bob Mahoney
K1GMN Bill Heally
WA1BEE Allen Hiltz
N1DH Dan Heather
W1QWT Bob Callahan
WA1MAD Mike Davis
KC1ITF Mark Hirtle
KZ1J Jim Campbell
N4NMF Barry Kennedy
**KC1SJS Allen Lipkind
**W1RCA Nick Caratelli
WB1GSQ Ted Cullen

WI1G John Murphy
W1EKG Ross Hochstrasser
KB1MTW Paul Moss
KC1LKB Ernie Bazzinotti
K1FAB Fred Birtwell
N1PAU Paul Leavitt
N1RJ Rich D'Isidoro
KC1RAE John Dorney
Guest Joyce Hirtle
K1UVH Mike Antoine
KG1U Mike Bennett
WD1L John Nelson
NK1U Jim Whedbee

Thank You to all for attending the meeting and all new members!!

There was a special presentation tonight by **KC1HHO Peter Doherty** on Amateur National Traffic System message forwarding service. Supported by N1IQI Loren Pimental

^{*} Any missing folks or errors in this report please notify the Secretary to update

^{**} New Hams & New Callsigns: New Ham and Member KC1SJS Allen Lipkind, New member WG1WG Bill Gundel, New call sign and member W1RCA Nick Carratelli

Secretary's Report:

President John Murphy WI1G called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM 02/01/23.

A quorum was present in person and on Zoom with the 3 elected officers.

Bob WA1Q published the January 2023 meeting notes on the club website. A motion to accept as read made by **Jeff WK1D** with a second by **Paul KB1MTW.** Motion passed quorum vote as there were no objections.

Treasurer Paul W1GTX provided and **Bob WA1Q** read the Jan 2023 treasurers report which the secretary emailed to the members. A motion to accept as read made by **Jeff AJ1L** with a second by **Mike WA1MAD.** Motion passed quorum vote as there were no objections.

Health & Welfare report by Richard AG1B

Richard reported that get-well cards were sent to **Loren N1IQI**, A condolence card was sent to the family of long-time member **Roy Logan KB1CYV** and former member **Jim Wolf KC1JSW** family who both recently became Silent Keys.

Thank you to Richard for taking care of the H & W.

Weekly Public Service Net Control volunteers for Feb 01, 2023 to Feb 29, 2023:

• Feb 05th: Jeff WK1D

• Feb 12th: Ted WB1GSQ

• Feb 19th: Mike KB10EP

• Feb 26th: Jeff N1SOM

Mar 05th: Jeff WK1D

New Members and Call sign updates:

Congratulations on any new callsigns and passing the VE Exams. Please notify us if your license Status changes. Congratulations to new members **KC1RXD Brian Logan** and upgrading to General Class License. Congratulations on new member **WG1WG Bill Gundell** (formerly N1ZZQ).

Committee updates:

Training Committee: Ross W1EKG Update

Ross W1EKG

Update since last meeting

The Next WARC Training will be an **Extra Class** and will start at the end of Feb. Start date since last meeting Feb 21,2023 at 7:00PM. The Next VE Session will be April 18'th 2023 at the Whitman Police Station at 7:00PM at the conclusion of the Extra Class.

WARC Instructors have been **Ross W1EKG**, **Ted KC1JMZ** and alternate Paul W1GTX. **John N1BSO** started instructing as well. A big Thank you for all your hard work training and keeping the hobby alive. Thank You Ross and crew.

Remember the training email address Warc.Training@gmail.com and copy to bavarianradio@comcast.net to sign up for classes. We will update the website with the training dates as they become available.

Repeater Committee: John N1BSO reported all seems to be working well with the backup repeater. We will be notified when the repeaters can be swapped out to reinstall the Yaesu Fusion Repeater.

A big **Thank You** as always to **Jeff AJ1L** and **John N1BSO** for all they do for the club and other club's repeaters in the area that you maintain.

NEW & Old Business

Chris N1CFB Summary from Jan:

Winterfest 2023 was a success. Chris gave a big thank you to all who attended, helped out and to the VE's and folks that upgraded and new hams. We had to shift venues at the last minute to the Masonic Temple in East Bridgewater due to the new floor at the K of C not being ready. Thank you to Larry at the K of C also for the use of the electronic sign with the Masonic Temple's location. Moral of the story it always takes longer to install a floor 5

Bob WA1Q reported that for the March meeting we will try to get a speaker on a subject of interest. We will notify the members via email.

Ross W1EKG mentioned he should be getting Near-Fest tickets by the next meeting from Mr. Mike.

Peter KC1HHO presented Loren a special award for over 30 years' service to the National Traffic system. See the photos below

A motion was made by **Ted WB1GSQ** to give a donation to the Whitman Police Association for the years of allowing us to use the training room. No Charge of course. This was seconded by **Jeff WK1D**. Motion passed with a quorum vote.

Motion to adjourn made by **Paul KB1MTW** with a second by **Jeff WK1D**. Motion passed a quorum vote.

John WI1G adjourned the meeting about 7:30 PM, **2/01/2023**.

NOTE: The Next meeting is scheduled for **Wed March 01**^{st,} **2023 at 7 PM** and will be a Hybrid meeting in person and via Zoom.

The next MOTA (Meeting on the Air) will be Wed Feb 15th at 7:30PM

A Special Presentation on NTS Traffic by **Peter Doherty KC1HHO** followed the meeting. Peter also presented a special award to **Loren Pimental N1IQI** for over 30 years of service as an amateur radio operator and for his dedication to the "National Traffic System".





KC1HHO Peter Doherty at the WARC Feb meeting presenting information on National Traffic System





KC1HHO Peter Presenting the Certificate of Recognition to N1IQI Loren



Close up the N1IQI Loren's certificate