



Whitman Amateur Radio Club Meeting Mar 06, 2024

Tom Kirkaldy KC1KIT **Chris Babbitt N1CFB** **Bob Azanow WA1Q** **Jeff Ayres WK1D**
Treasurer Vice President Secretary President

ATTENDANCE: 35

Members and guests were social isolated at the K of C and on Zoom including 4 elected officers. Members and guests attended in person and via ZOOM. Photo by Mike K1UVH Thank you Ross W1EKG for running ZOOM!!

WA1Q Bob Azanow	KG1U Mike Bennett	W1G John Murphy
AG1B Richard Metcalf	KC1DD Dennis Diver	W1EKG Ross Hochstrasser
N1IQI Loren Pimental	N1CFB Chris Babbitt	W1AY Brad Wilson
WK1D Jeff Ayres	WB1GSQ Teddy Cullen	KC1LKB Ernie Bazzinotti
KB1MTW Paul Moss	KC1KIT Tom Kirkaldy	KC1OZE Ed Warchal
KC1KIS Robert Kirkaldy	N1QE Jack Foley	KB1QMZ Dave Beauvais
KB1OEP Mike Supple	N1BSO John Laiosa	KC1RAE John Dorney
WA1MAD Mike Davis	K1UVH Mike Antoine	N1SOM Jeff Tracy
WG1WG Bill Gundel	N4NMF Barry Kennedy	KC1JMZ Ted Wojcik
AJ1L Jeff Lehmann	WD1L John Nelson	KC1TNH Adam Faxon
KC1SJS Allen Lipkind	W1MBH Scott Mitchell	**SWL Larry Genovesi
W1GTX Paul Delory	***KC1UEH Kevin Durette	

**** SWL = Short Wave Listener *** = New member**

* Any missing folks or errors in this report please notify the Secretary to update.

**** New Hams & New Callsigns, address, phone or email changes: Please Notify the secretary. Thank You to all for attending the meeting and all new members and guests!!**

Secretary's Report:

President Jeff Ayres WK1D called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM 03/06/24.

A quorum was present in person and on Zoom with the 4 elected officers.

Bob WA1Q posted the Feb 2024 **meeting notes** on the club website.

A motion to accept the Feb 2024 as read made by **Ted KC1JMZ** with a second by **Brad W1AY**. Motion passed quorum vote as there were no objections.

Tom KC1KIT read the Feb 2024 **treasurer's report** which the secretary emailed to the members. A motion to accept as read made by **Brad W1AY** with a second by **Dennis KC1DD**. Motion passed quorum vote as there were no objections.

Health & Welfare report by **Richard AG1B**. Richard reports there were 1 sunshine card sent to **Tom KC1KIT**. Please let Richard know if there is anyone, we should be sending a card to. Thank you to Richard for taking care of the H & W.

Weekly Public Service Net Control volunteers for Mar 03, 2024 to Mar 31, 2024:

- Mar 03rd: Jeff WK1D
- Mar 10th: Mike KB1OEP
- Mar 17th: Paul W1GTX
- Mar 24th: Jeff N1SOM
- Mar 31st: Bob WA1Q

***New Members and Call sign updates:

NO new members or callsign updates for the Feb meeting.

Committee updates:

Training Committee: Ross W1EKG Update

Ross W1EKG Ross reported he will be starting a Technician class on Tuesday March 19th 2024 and will run 7PM to 9PM Tuesdays and Thursdays for about 4 weeks. Ross thanked the training crew. The class will conclude with a VE session. Information is posted on the Website. **Bob WA1Q** presented **Ross W1EKG** with an ARRL Instructors shirt from Gordon West which he gave Bob at Hamcation.

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:

Jeff AJ1L reported the backup repeater is working well. The Controller is working well. Our Echo-link connection is working well. The Yaesu repeater is fixed. They are working on a schedule for replacement. 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 they maintain.

NEW & Old Business

Ross W1EKG reported that the spring Near-fest 2024 due to a scheduling problem at the Deerfield Fairgrounds and will be held on Thursday April 24th + Friday April 25th, 2024. The gates will open early at 7AM on Thursday and Friday. Ross will notify us when he has tickets available from Mr. Mike.

Jeff WK1D welcomed new ham **Kevin Durette KC1UEH** to the meeting. Congratulations Kevin

Jack N1QE mentioned the model railroad club in Hingham train show is Sat Mar 9th and Sun 19th.

Jack N1QE also mentioned the Marshfield Fair 2024 is set as well. The dates will be Friday Aug 16th to Sunday Aug 25th. We will setup on Thursday Aug 15th and break down Monday Aug 25. We will work on a signup sheet for the event and will have it posted on the club's website.

Jeff WK1D discussed having a board of directors meeting and asked Ross about the police station. **Bob WA1Q** volunteered to help set that up. If the police station is not available the public library is an option as well.

Teddy WB1GSQ brought up the subject of Field Day and purchasing new grills. Maybe 2 small one's vs 1 large one. A motion was made by **Teddy WB1GSQ** and second by **Ross W1EKG** up to \$500 for new grills. Motion passed with a quorum vote. Good chance it will not be that expensive.

Mike K1UVH reported the next Great Hill Gang event at Great Hill in North Weymouth will be Saturday Mar 23rd 9AM. Rain date will be March 30th Its always a fun time. Mike NA1XX is usually the chef and brings up an excellent dish.

Tom KC1KIT showed us his 2 new stamps he acquired for the club. Thank you Tom.

Bob WA1Q recommended we do a training presentation on **DMR** or similar digital protocol in the April meeting with Jeff AJ1L's help.

Paul KB1MTW mentioned running a Saturday class to build a tape measure beam for portable use or fox hunting. He asked if anyone would be interested. There were a number of hands that went up. We will look at having a class in the spring.

Motion to adjourn was made by **Paul W1GTX** with a second by **John W1IG**.
Motion passed a quorum vote.

Jeff WK1D adjourned the meeting about 7:46 PM, **03/06/2024**.

NOTE: The next meeting is scheduled for **Wed Apr. 03, 2024 at 7 PM** and will be a Hybrid meeting in person and via Zoom.

The March **MOTA (Meeting on the Air)** will be **Wed Mar. 20th at 7:30PM**

The **MOTA** Net will be followed by the **10 Meter 28.333 Rag Chew** Net about 8PM.