



## **Business Meeting Minutes**

June 15, 2024

### **Call to Order**

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The meeting was held at the St Leonard Catholic Church. A Zoom session was hosted for those choosing to attend remotely. The meeting was called to order by Ron WE8V at 6:00pm. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, members and guests introduced themselves to the group. Fourteen (14) members and guests attended the meeting in person and online.

### **Attendance**

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Ken K8DQ	Beau KD8FVV	LaVergne N8HLP	Jeff N8ADX
Dick W8RLL	Mike WD8JLP	Terry KE8UUO	Mary Kay KE8UUN
Micki KE8UQP	Joe WB8ELL	Mike KD8DZ	Weldon K8NQ
Mary Beth KD8OMU	Ron WE8V		

### **Minutes of the Last Meeting**

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Before the meeting, the minutes of the May 2024 NARA business meeting were posted on the NARA Website and electronically distributed to the members. No additions or corrections to the minutes were noted. A motion to accept the minutes as published was made by Jeff N8ADX and seconded by LaVergne N8HLP. Following a vote, the motion was passed.

Please send additions or corrections to:

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## **Treasurer's Report**

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Beau KD8FVV provided a full report of the club's current financial status including bank account balances, income and expenses.

## **Presidents's Report**

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Ron WE8V spoke with Ron Cook at the American Red Cross and received updates on Red Cross facilities. There is still no schedule set for the 30th street building repairs.

Field Day will be conducted at [Flint Ridge Ancient Quarries & Nature Preserve - 15300 Flint Ridge Road, Glenford, OH](#). Bring your own chairs, plates, cuts, utensils and drinks. NARA will provide burgers / hot dogs, condiments, grill and charcoal. Side dishes and desserts will be potluck. Ron WE8V will be providing a generator, logging software, and an HF station / antenna. There will be a foot-walk fox hunt within the park. Picnic will be in the afternoon. A sign-up sheet is available to indicate what you are bringing to the picnic and how many will attend.

Thank you to Tom Eckleberry for reprogramming the repeater. Thanks to Tom, Jeff & Ron for their work on updating the repeaters and facilities.

St Leonard will be closing soon and will be taken over by St Francis.

COOKEN is not having a field day event for 2024

Field Day setup will be 8:00 AM (local), ready to operate at 2:00 PM (local) and picnic around 5:00 PM.

## **Vice President's Report**

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Jeff N8ADX provided an update on the successful attendance at club luncheons. The lowest attendance has been 8 participants, and the highest so far has been 13. Luncheons are averaging 10+ participants weekly.

## **Committee Reports**

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- **Membership & Attendance**

Ken K8DQ: As of 6/15/2024, there are 54 paid / life members on the club roster.

- **Finance Committee**

No report

- **Field Day Committee**

No report

- **Equipment Management Committee**

No report

- **Repeater Management**

Tom WB8YOK provided an update on the repeaters and facilities.

- 2 meter repeater has been updated to identify with N8ARA call sign
- UHF repeater is more difficult to update and will take more time. It is too hot presently to work in the building, and the air conditioning is broken.
- Backup UHF repeater is still being rebuilt. Will program it with N8ARA call sign and swap with current repeater.
- Power supply is on the bench and currently being diagnosed.
- Ron WE8V will contact the city to address the broken air conditioning.
- Would like to update controllers CAT 250 or 250B. Ken K8DQ has agreed to acquire and donate to the club. Timeline is unknown as the controllers are out of production and difficult to find.

- **ARES / Emergency Management**

Alan N8CJ is out of town and not available for Weather Net

- **CERT**

Mike WD8JLP provided an update of recent CERT activities:

- Stop the Bleed training sessions in St. Louisville
- Alan N8CJ will pull the communications trailer to the Field Day site
- September Fire Training at the Newton Fire Department

- **Website**

No new updates

- **Programs & Education**

Program for this evening by Micki KE8UQP & Beau KD8FW - Show & Tell of recent POTA activations

- **History & Archives**

No report

- **Social & Reception**

No report

## **Old Business**

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No old business

## **New Business**

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Following some discussion around the CERT/ARES trailer, and the upcoming Field Day event, it was decided that having the trailer at Field Day would be good for public relations and will allow members to see the newly renovated trailer and equipment.

Ken K8DQ made a motion to authorize Mike WD8JLP to reach out to John Wieber to request the trailer be delivered to the Field Day location for the entirety of our visit on June 22nd. The motion was seconded by Joe WB6ELL. Following a vote, the motion passed.

## **Swap & Shop**

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Ron WE8V has 3 sections of old metal tower and a Butternut 6 antenna. All are free for the taking.

## **Announcements**

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- NARA, Tuesdays at 21.00, 146.88, pl 141.3 (On the last Tuesday of the month the NARA net will be on 444.50, pl 141.3.)
- ARES, 1st & 3rd Wednesdays at 21.00. 146.88, pl 141.3
- Buckeye Net: Multi-Mode, Thurs, Sat & Sun at 13:00, 60M Ch. 4
- Central Ohio Traffic Net, Central Ohio Radio Club (CORC), daily net at 7:15pm 146.970, pl 123.0
- COOKEN, Thursdays at 20:30, 50.500MHz, SSB
- Fairfield ARES Nets, Mondays at 19:00, 146.700 pl 94.8
- Fairfield County ARC Net, Mondays at 21:00, 147.030 pl 71.9
- Mt. Vernon ARC Nets, Sundays at 21:00, 146.790 pl 71.9
- Ohio ARES HF Net, Tuesdays at 19:00, 3.902 MHZ
- Popular central Ohio Simplex frequencies: 145.70, 146.46, 145.55

## **Adjournment**

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Beau KD8FVW made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mike WD8JLP. Following a vote, the meeting was adjourned at 6:29 PM.

## **Program**

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Micki KE8UQP & Beau KD8FVW - Show & Tell of recent POTA activations

## **Officers & Trustees:**

<b>President:</b>	Ron Jones, WE8V
<b>Vice President:</b>	Jeff Davis, N8ADX
<b>Secretary:</b>	Ken Hagans, K8DQ
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Beau Pineda, KD8FVW
<b>Trustee 2022 - 2024:</b>	LaVergne Pabian, N8HLP
<b>Trustee 2023 - 2025:</b>	Bret Stemen, KD8SCL
<b>Trustee 2024 - 2026:</b>	Mike Neal, WD8JLP
<b>N8ARA License Trustee:</b>	Ron Jones, WE8V
<b>Licking County ARES Coordinator:</b>	Alan Rothweiler, N8CJ
<b>Past President:</b>	C. Weldon Mathews, K8NQ

## Committee Members

### Membership & Attendance:

Ken Hagans, K8DQ\*  
Beau Pineda, KD8FVW

### Education:

Earl Paazig, W8BR\*  
Ken Hagans, K8DQ  
Thom Thorpe, AD8AG

### Social & Reception:

Mary Beth Mathews, KD8OMU\*

### Repeater Management:

Russ Payne, W8ATA\*  
Tom Ecleberry, WB8YOK  
Jeff Davis, N8ADX

### Nominating & Elections:

LaVergne Pabian, N8HLP\*  
Mike Neal, WD8JLP  
Weldon Mathews, K8NQ

### Public Relations:

Jeff Davis, N8ADX\*  
Ron Jones, WE8V

### Finance:

Beau Pineda, KD8FVW\*  
LaVergne Pabian, N8HLP  
Mike Neal, WD8JLP  
Fred Nickerson, NL7CF

### Programs:

Ken Hagans, K8DQ\*  
Beau Pineda, KD8FVW  
Jeff Davis, N8ADX  
Ron Jones, WE8V

### Emergency Coordination:

Alan Rothweiler, N8CJ\*  
Bret Stemen, KD8SCL  
LaVergne Pabian, N8HLP

### Field Day:

Jeff Davis, N8ADX\*  
Ron Jones, WE8V

### Web Site:

Ken Hagans, K8DQ\*  
Beau Pineda, KD8FVW  
James Garfalo, W3VPK  
Earl Paazig, W8BR (advisor)

### Equipment Management:

Jeff Davis, N8ADX\*

Ken Hagans, K8DQ  
Mike Neal, WD8JLP

**CERT:**

Mike Neal, WD8JLP\*  
LaVergne Pabian, N8HLP