

Minutes-September 19, 2024, General Meeting

By Jim Gifford N8KET, Secretary

Executive Committee Members Present

President: Ray Hitt N8VMX, Newsletter

Vice President: Jim Totten WA8HUB, Lunch Bunch

Treasurer: John Westerkamp W8LRJ, Communications Center, Assistant Field Day

Secretary: Jim Gifford N8KET

Jr. Director: Bob French AC8ZU, POTA, Tech Night

Functional Coordinators Present:

Tink Siwecki KD8NUA, Hospitality and Library

Glenn Rodgers WI8O, Field Day

Executive Committee Members Absent

Sr. Director: Jim Lusk KC8EFD, Clubhouse

At 7:30 pm, President Ray Hitt N8VMX welcomed attendees and led attendees in the pledge of allegiance. Guests and attendees with new or updated licenses were recognized.

Agenda Item 1. Minutes of the October meeting

Ray Hitt said the minutes were emailed and asked if anyone had questions or comments. None stated. Glenn Rodgers WI8O moved we accept; Joe Muchnij N8QOD seconded; passed by members present.

Agenda Item 2. Treasurer's Report

John Westerkamp W8LRJ presented his report. His emailed report follows:

"Auction income and Kroger Rewards for \$85.79 kept us positive for the month of August. Spectrum Internet was our only expense as August is usually a slow month. Our balance as of the September Membership Meeting was \$11,614.25. We continue to be in excellent financial shape. The 2025 Budget will be presented at the November meeting.

Thanks!

John Westerkamp, W8LRJ
Treasurer"

Fund	31-Aug-24	Income	Expenses	30-Sep-24
General	\$4,095.89	\$160.79	\$129.98	\$4,126.70
Comm center	\$1,137.38	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,137.38
Refreshments	\$773.16	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$773.16
Repeater	\$319.53	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$319.53
All Liquid Funds	\$6,325.96	\$160.79	\$129.98	\$6,356.77
6 Month CD	\$5,257.48	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,257.48
ALL FUNDS	\$11,583.44	\$160.79	\$129.98	\$11,614.25

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Jim Totten WA8HUB moved we accept the report; Fred Stockwell KE8ZPN seconded; passed.

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Agenda Item 3. Coordinators' Reports

Bob French AC8ZU described the next Tech Night, which will be on Orienteering with Bob Frey WA6EZV. In October, Tech Night will encompass two nights where members will build a digital clock led by Stu Holzer K8ST.

John Westerkamp discussed how members can order BARC shirts, sweatshirts, and hats, and he projected the BARC web page on the screen to illustrate details. Here is the link to order your BARC apparel: <https://pages.albrechtco.com/BARC.html>

Hitt then announced that the Technician training was currently underway each Sunday evening at 7pm.

Ray Hitt introduced the nominating committee for upcoming elections: Tim Procuniar N8NQH, Jim Totten, and Steve Siwecki KD8NUC.

A new process was announced by Tim Procuniar. Members may start tonight recommending names to the committee. At the November meeting, slips of paper will be distributed where members may nominate individual, including themselves. These will be given to the Nominating Committee to verify with each person that he or she desires to be nominated. Steve Siwecki stated that the Constitution and Bylaws stipulate that a person, in order to run for office, must have been a member for a year and is a member in good standing (which means he or she must have a valid amateur radio license).

Jim Totten, John Westerkamp, and Glenn Rodgers all described a new effort to have more members learn and be active in CW (Morse Code). They described using Zoom to practice internally and possibly joining the Long Island CW Club to hone skills.

Jim Gifford N8KET announced the coming Winter Field Day on January 25 at Hills and Dales park and the December 17 Special Event Station event. Details will coming soon.

Tink Siwecki KD8NUA announced that the following Thursday is BARC Movie Night. She also said the October BARC meeting will be the Chili Cookoff, which starts at 6:30pm instead of 7:30pm.

Jim Totten said the next BARC Lunch Bunch will be at City Barbeque in Kettering.

Larry Darner KD8RER moved we close the meeting; Glenn Rodgers seconded. Closed at 8:12pm.