

## Minutes of the Twin State Radio Club Meeting held September 14, 2024

A meeting of Twin State Radio Club was held via Zoom on Saturday September 14, 2024. The meeting opened at 9:17 AM. Two officers were not present. As the meeting started a quorum of voting members was *not* present so motions *cannot* be voted on.

### President's Report

Members and attendees were introduced. Attendees were asked if they were going to participate in the VHF contest the weekend.

### Vice President's Report

Today's presentation will be a microwave band introduction by Alasdair W1UC.

Possible future presentations:

- Don KB1VP a survey of digital modes – Oct?
- A forum on digital voice, digital data and/or hybrid.
- Fox hunting.
- Basics.
- Setup of a radio station for the first time.
- Ham rigs & operation over the last 100 years.
- Morse code in the media, how it's presented. In popular culture.
- RFI Exposure.
- RFI mitigation. Common mode chokes.
- Basics on antenna, radio, regulation, and operating practice.
- Satellite communications.
- Beginning, intermediate, advanced modes.
- Propagation.
- Tubes (valves) - Dave N1HAC.
- Extreme bands.
- Internet SDRs.
- Other OTA's – summits, islands, etc.
- Alternative energy.
- Radio & power lines.
- Complying w/ FCC regulations on RF exposure.
- Contesting. Dave N1HAC
- Direction finding.
- Radio in the media.

The Vice President is soliciting presentation suggestions and presenters. Get in touch with Dave N1HAC either by email or the repeater.

### Treasurer's Report

Dave WA1ZCN submitted the Treasurer's report via groups.io on September 11<sup>th</sup>. Reported was:

Checking: \$ 3,796.27  
Savings: \$ 30,696.05  
Bonds: \$ 10,000.00 plus accrued interest.

\$11,241.00 will be transferred from savings to checking to complete the purchase of the new communication trailer. That will leave \$19,455.05 in savings.

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Due to lack of a quorum no motion or vote to approve the Treasurer's report was made. Postponed until next month.

**Secretary's Report**

Due to lack of a quorum the submitted August 24, 2024 minutes review, amendment (if any), motion and vote to approve is postponed until next month.

**Repeater Committee Report**

No report this month.

**Education Committee Report**

Eric KB1VUN reported that the VE session held in Claremont last month resulted in one new Technician license and one new General license. The next VE session is in November.

**Trailer Committee Report**

Alan AE1H reported that he and Dave WA1ZCN took the communication and support trailers down to HamXpo last month.

The new communication trailer is in, Dave WA1ZCN will cut a payment check and it will be picked up.

**Old Business**

None.

**New Business**

Pete AB2U proposed that club members meet informally one night a month for dinner at a local restaurant. Alan AE1H commented that the difficulty of finding a restaurant to do this in is the same as finding a location for face to face club meetings. The club membership is in a wide geographic area. Need to find a venue that seats a dozen or more. There was discussion. A venue with a semi-separate room to be able to converse in is preferred. Locations in White River Junction, Hanover and W. Lebanon were suggested. Alan AE1H has a contact at the 99s restaurant in W. Lebanon which has flexible seating. Kim KE1LF suggested using fast food places like MacDonald's and rotate the locations. Pete AB2U and Alan AE1H will pursue.

The meeting concluded at 9:24 AM. Due to lack of a quorum the meeting had not been opened and no motion to adjourn was called for. The presentation followed.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Scott N1SDM.