

BLACK RIVER AMATEUR RADIO CLUB MEETING MINUTES

Call to Order – Dean Weurding, KE8TVR

Date: 07/12/2025

Time: 7:05 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Introductions of members and guests

Meeting Location: Bangor Fire Station

Members Present: 12 members and guests present

Secretary's Report – Ed Alderman KI8Z

- The June 2025 meeting minutes were mailed or emailed to members. There were no additions nor corrections. Motion by Jim, N8JVC to approve, Seconded by Jason, KE8VRW. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – Jim Cady, N8JVC

- Jim, N8JVC reported a Current Checking Account Balance of \$1911.78 and \$0.00 cash on hand.
- He presented a detailed printed report for June 2025. No questions nor comments. Motion by Jason, KE8VRW to approve, Seconded by Wayne, N8UC. Motion carried.
- **Equipment Report** – Scott Garvison K8JNO
- Scott, K8JNO reported that the Communications Trailer had been moved to the Van Buren Sportsman's Club site at 29101 CR215 just north of M-43. He and Dean, KE8TVR have the security code for access. Anyone needing to go to the trailer will need to be contact one of them.
- Dean, KE8TVR reported that a 50 foot extension cord and a Battery Charger needs to be purchased for battery changing.
- The need to sell some excess equipment was discussed, consensus was to offer to club members by sealed bids before taking to Hamfests.

ARES/RACES/SKYWARN – Mike Greis KD8GTx

- June Activity Report- 62 Exercise Hours, 20 Exercise and training sessions. ARES Members: 5.

Old Business

- Frank, AD8BU and Scott, K8JNO plan to visit the Repeater site next week to determine what needs to be acquired to implement the Allstar service.
- Equipment Inventory – Jim, N8JVC and Scott, K8JNO have started and will finish as soon as possible.
- Dean, KE8TVR reported that the Trailer work day was a success with many items completed and the trailer worked well for Field Day operation.
- Nick, KD8JBG provided a copy of the Field Day Entry report and ARRL conformation of submission. There were: 4 CW contacts, 221 Digital contacts and 225 Phone contacts. Two GOTA participants made contacts. The total preliminary score was 2340 points. Those attending reported a good time and no major problems operating four stations from the trailer.

New Business

- Motion by Jim, N8JVC to authorize purchase of a 50 Foot Extension

cord and Battery Charger for the Communications Trailer. Seconded by Jason, KE8VRW. Motion Carried.

- Dean, KE8TVR reported that the VB Sportsman's Club has a trailer coupler lock that they will place on the trailer and supply a key. He also noted that the generators need to be winterized and fuel cans emptied. The need to cover the trailer was discussed, Hank, WV8BIN offered a tarp should we decide to cover it.
- The value/need/cost of continuing to have a communications trailer was discussed. Suggestions for use of the trailer are needed.
- Dean, KE8TVR announced that regular club meetings will held on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00PM at the VBISD Conference Center in Lawrence.
- The need for new logo stickers for the club was discussed. Scott, K8JNO and Rudy, K8SWD have volunteered to get prices.
- Dean, KE8TVR presented an interesting Video about bonding and grounding in the ham shack.

Next Meeting

August 9, 2025 at 7:00 PM at the Bangor Fire Station.

CLOSING The meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.