

BLACK RIVER AMATEUR RADIO CLUB MEETING MINUTES

Call to Order – President, Dean Weurding, KE8TVR

Date: 10/14/2025

Time: 6:30 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Introduction of members and guests

Meeting Location: VBISD Conference Center, Lawrene, MI

Members Present: 16 members present

Secretary's Report – Ed Alderman KI8Z

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

Treasurer's Report – Jim Cady, N8JVC

- Jim, N8JVC reported a Current Checking Account Balance of \$2351.69 and \$40.00 cash on hand.
- He presented a detailed printed report for September 2025. No questions nor comments. Motion by Don, AD8II to approve, Seconded by Aaron, KE8ZEX. Motion carried.

Equipment Manager's Report – Scott Garvison, K8JNO

- Scott, K8JNO lead a discussion on alternate methods of providing internet connection should the current source become unavailable. We have received a donation of equipment. We are going to install and test the equipment so it is ready if our current connection ceases.
- The trailer tire covers have been purchased and will be put on after the POTA operation at the Fish Hatchery.

ARES/RACES/SKYWARN – Mike Greis KD8GTX

- August Activity Report- 58 Exercise Hours, 20 Exercise and training sessions. ARES Members: 5.

Old Business

- Regarding Club Stickers, Dean, KE8TVR reported that 25 six inch club logo stickers are available from Amazon for \$50.00. After discussion and comments, Jim, N8JVC moved that the purchase be made. Seconded by Aaron, KE8ZEX. Motion carried.
- Jason, KE8VRW reviewed the Club operation for a Parks on the air operation on Saturday October 18 utilizing the Comm Trailer and club call sign. Location to be at Wolf Lake State Fish Hatchery (Park # US-6829) with set up starting at approximately 8:30 and operations to continue until noon or 1:00 PM. All equipment has been arranged and anyone is welcome to participate. The bands most likely to be used are 20 and or 40 meters. This is POTA's "Support your parks" weekend and crowded bands are expected. Participants can come and go as they wish. Jason has established a K8BRC POTA account.
- No Bids have been received for the club transceivers that are for sale.
- The antenna rotator was claimed by Frank, AD8BU.
- The Proposed BRARC/K8BRC Repeater use policy was reviewed.

- The Proposed BRARC bylaws were reviewed.

New Business

- Motion by Jason, KE8VRW to approve the Repeater use policy, supported by Jim, N8JVC. Motion carried.
- Motion by Anthony, N8VOX to approve the revised club bylaws, supported by Jim, N8JVC. Motion carried.
- Dean, KE8TVR announced there will be a special election at the November regular club meeting. The revised bylaws change the structure of the 2026 board, reducing the number of trustees from three to one. This election will be to fill the lone trustee position.
- Jason, KE8VRW provided a detailed and interesting presentation on the history, structure and operation of the Parks on the Air program.
- A presentation on "Fast log entry" was postponed until a later date due to time restraints.

Next Meeting

- Tuesday November 11, 2025 at 6:30 PM at the VBISD Conference Center in Lawrence which is located at 409 S. Paw Paw Street, just north of the Acapulco Mexican Restaurant

CLOSING The meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.