



Club Meeting Minutes

February 27th 2025

Ferrysburg City Hall, Spring Lake, MI

Meeting was called to order – 7:00PM

Treasurer/Membership Report:

John Sundstrom reports \$21, 579.01 in the community funds and \$1,262.50 in the Chase Bank checking account.

John also reports that NOARC will have tables at the Cadillac, Hudsonville, Grand Rapids, and Muskegon swap meets in 2025. These tables will be used to promote the club, sell Te-Ne-Ke CW keys, and give club members space to sell their items.

The current membership roster shows four new members joined in the month of January, bringing the number of members who are paid through 2025 to 34.

John also made the club members in attendance aware of items for sale from the estate of Hank Riekels (SK). For more information on the radios being sold, contact John.

There are no new updates on the status of the repeater tower replacement. John states that the project has been put on the desk of the Asst. City Manager, whom he is in contact with.

Upcoming Programs:

For the March membership meeting Kevin Ranke proposes a presentation on DMR and Meshtastic. He encourages those that wish to learn more about the modes to attend the March meeting for demonstrations and discussion. Kevin asks those with DMR radios that want help learning more about them to bring their radios to the meeting.

Field Day Site:

Lucas was unable to attend to speak on Field Day. In his place, Levi Gates asks the membership to review the available Field Day sites the club is looking at. These are: Rycenga Park, Coast Guard Park, Ottawa Sands, or Hoffmaster State Park's private group campground. Levi states that Richard Carlson, The Ferrysburg Mayor, has offered to assist the club with securing spots at either Ottawa Sands or Coast Guard Park's pavilion. Levi asks that the club come to a decision on the site at the next meeting.

NOARC Library:

Tom Nuyens has provided a book rack for amateur radio books and magazines that will be available during membership meetings for people to check out books. If you have books you would like to donate, please bring them to the membership meeting or get them to someone that can.

Goals and Objectives for the Club in 2025:

Kevin shares the objective the club has for increasing sluggish Te-Ne-Ke sales. He is setting up the website page to allow for online purchases to be made right from the page.

John has placed an ad in QRP Quarterly Magazine for the TeNeKe. It will run for four quarters.

Tom Nuyens speaks on increasing volunteerism within the club, and working more with other groups on events the club is part of.

Equipment Donation Form:

Tom shares the Equipment Donation Form that has been created to track equipment donated to the club. The form is to clarify ownership of the equipment. Donations are now tax deductible, and discussion on how to provide a receipt for the donations is discussed.

A list of the club's current inventory is planned to be posted on Groups.IO in a file folder and updated as needed.

Presentation on Allstar:

Levi and Kevin give a presentation on Allstar and show how it works and how it is tied into the 145.49 repeater. Rick Pugh demonstrates a SHARI node, and Levi demonstrates an AllScan node. A workshop is planned for members wanting to build their own Allstar node. Information on the workshop can be found on Groups.IO.

Meeting adjourned at 8:46PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Levi Gates, Secretary