

UNION COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY Meeting Minutes for July 20, 2023

Christopher Whitaker opened the regular meeting at 7:03 PM with 18 members and 4 guests present.

Attendance:

Chris Whitaker, AE4WS

Lisa Whitaker, KF4NYL

Karen Stone

Mike Williams, K4IC

Ed Stemborowski, KJ4VLI

Hans VanHeule, KQ4KAN

Andy Kabasakalian, WB2WZC

Todd Edwards (G)

David Keever, KV4N

Gary Pincus, KY4QH

Gary Stone, KO4NZU

Mal Spear, WA2TWA

Gordon Lyman, W4ZD

Alfred KoKoszczyński, KC3GZI

Tom Finley, KN4SMF (G)

Tom McCobb, K3TCM

Dwayne Stone, KC4NHW

Kevin Harbin, K4KII

Kevin Moderow, WA9VFD

Harry McCobb, KC3HRR

Paul Corso, KK4PIB

Will Johnson, KQ4KAC (G)

1. Christopher (AE4WS) opened the meeting at 7:03 PM.
2. Tonight's meeting is being held at Siler Presbyterian Church, Wesley Chapel, NC.
3. Chris reviewed the meeting minutes for June 15, 2023.
4. David K. provided the Treasurer's Report. Current Balance of \$5,273.65
5. Chris reviewed the results of a successful ARRL Field Day activity at Pleasant Plains Baptist Church
6. A VE session was held on Saturday July 15 with 3 new licensed Amateurs, one being Hans Vanheule, KQ4KAN.
7. Chris also introduced a potential new member, Tom Finley, KN4SMF who recently moved to Union County.
8. Introduction of all attendees was made.
9. Was announced that the FCC requirement to have on site an RF audit of your station. This became law in May of 2023. The ARRL has an easy-to-use form on their site to assist you in completing your audit.
10. Announced Will Johnson, KQ3KAC also received his Technician License from the exam on July 15.
11. The Heritage Festival will be held September 23 and UCARS has been invited to return and provide traffic service for the Wild Turkey 5K run.
 - a. UCARS will have a tent with a Net Controller and information about Amateur Radio.
 - b. Need a minimum of 10 volunteers.
 - c. Volunteers at the meeting: Dwayne and Karen Stone, Ed Stemborowski, Gordon Lyman, Tom McCobb, Chris and Lisa Whitaker, Paul Corso and Kevin Moderow.
 - d. Ed Stemborowski will investigate shirt availability and sizes.
12. Next 2nd Saturday Club breakfast will be at Phatt Daddy's in Stallings on August 12.
13. Announced that UCARS Elections for Officers for 2023 will be held in September with results announced in October's meeting.
 - a. Requesting volunteers to sit on an elections committee.
 - b. Volunteers: Andy Kabasakalian and David Keever, need additional, if interested please volunteer.
14. Kevin Moderow, WA9VFD gave tonight's presentation. He described how the NANOVNA can be used to adjust your antenna to the proper resonance. Tonight's demonstration used a Buddy Pole on a tripod connected to the NANOVNA.

15. Vote decided that the club will rent an indoor table location for Flea Market at the Shelby Hamfest on Labor Day weekend.
16. 50/50 Drawing was held for \$ 18.00. Gary Pincus, KY4QH was the winner. \$ 18.00 was donated to the club's treasury.
17. Saturday POTA events will resume in September. Date to be announced.
18. The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 PM.