

**09/03/2024**

**Amateur Radio Club of Columbia County, Inc.**

**General Meeting #145**

**Rusty Welsh (KG4HIR) Called the Meeting to Order at 19:00**

**Invocation** led by Richard Sturgis (KR4XN)

**Welcome Special Guests and Introductions**

**Presentation**

- 80 Meter Antenna 66' Wire- Robert McManus (KN4KQJ)

**Upcoming Events**

09-14-2024 CSRA Ham Exams Session

10-05-2024 Oliver Hardy Festival

10-05-2024 Rockhill Hamfest

10-12-2024 CSRA Ham Exams Session

10-19/20-2024 Jamboree-on-the-air

10-20-2024 Best Dam Bike Ride 2024

10-26-2024 SEED Science Education Enrichment

11-02/03-2024 Stone Mountain Hamfest

11-09-2024 CSRA Ham Exams Session

**Membership Applications**

- Christopher Campbell (N0SX)

**\*Motion** – Dan Marshall (N4MI) made a motion to accept membership application and Louis Hernandez (K4IIE) seconded it. None opposed.

**Treasurer's Report**

- Update from Treasurer
- June 2024 Update
- July 2024 Update
- Augusta 2024 Update

**\*Motion** – Jim Cunningham (KV4YA) made a motion to accept June 2024, July 2024 and August 2024 Treasurer reports as written and John Crawford (W4QK) seconded it. None were opposed.

**Secretary Report** – Minutes of last month's meeting on Website for August 6th, 2024.

**\*Motion** – Bill Clark (WK4F) made a motion to accept the meeting minutes as posted on the website and Dan Marshall (N4MI) seconded it. None were opposed.

## Business Items

### HamClubOnline.com

- Note: Membership Expiration Notices are sent 60 Days prior to the date of expiration.
- Note: There is a 7 Day Grace period where you can pay and not have to reapply for membership.

### Groups.io

- <https://groups.io/g/arcccinc>

### VE Team Committee – VEL Shannon Welsh (KK4MED), Bill Clark (WK4F) and Susan Messick (WA0B)

- Next Test session on Saturday September 14th, 2024 at 9:00 am. POB1 1305 Interstate Pkwy, Augusta, Ga. 30909.

### Net Control Committee – Bill Clark (WK4F)

- Net Controllers Wanted
- Bill Clark (WK4F) will update net announcements and if you have any updates please email to Bill by 3:00 pm.

### Fox Hunts

- Beginning March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024 there will be Fox Hunts before each ARCCC, Inc. General Meeting starting at 6 PM.
  - Fox #1 = 146.5650 MHz
  - Fox #2 = 146.0000 MHz
  - Contact David Corsiglia (WA6TWF) for more Info
  - Fox Hunt on November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024 @9:00 A.M. at Patriots Park. More info to come.

### Bylaws Committee-

- Jim Cunningham (KV4YA)- Co-Director
- Bill Clark (WK4F) Co-Director
  - While preparing for the upcoming Board of Directors elections, the Bylaws Committee identified two minor changes that are recommended for approval to ensure our upcoming election of new Board of Directors officers is consistent with the requirements of the bylaws.
    - The update is provided on slide 54 of the General Meeting presentation.
  - This serves as the first reading of the proposed bylaws change. We invite your comments and feedback. A second reading and vote to accept the bylaws changes proposed will be held at the October meeting.
- **Nominations & Elections**
  - The Bylaws Committee Co-Directors have received the following nominations:
    - President Rusty Welsh- (KG4HIR)
    - Vice President Dan Marshall (N4MI)
    - Treasurer- Bill Clark (WK4F)
    - Secretary- Shannon Welsh (KK4MED)
    - Member at Large- Steven Kitchings (KN4RVU)
  - Anyone wishing to nominate an individual for any position noted above please come forward now. Please note the individual nominated must affirm verbally or in writing that they are willing to serve if elected.

- There are no nominations from the floor.
- As noted in the Groups.io notification, all club members in good standing will receive an election ballot with all nominees for the five Board of Director positions via HamClubOnline on or about Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 with ballots due by midnight on September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024.
- Ballots received after the deadline will not be counted.
- Election results will be shared at the October 2024 General Meeting.
- In the event of one or more ties, a runoff election will be held following the October 2024 meeting and the final results will be presented at the November 2024 meeting.

#### **Annual Holiday Party -**

- Encouraged members to provide nominations through the website for Ham of the Year Award and Rookie of the Year Awards. Please get nominations submitted.
- Toys for Tots are also encouraged

**\*Motion** – David Slabodnick (KO4LDS) made a motion to have the club Holiday Party at the Hyatt House in down town Augusta on Tuesday December the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 and Jim Cunningham (KV4YA) seconded it. None were opposed.

**\*Motion** – Steven Kitchings (KN4RVU) made a motion to start the process of locating a catering company, get pricing and present findings at the October 2024 meeting. John Crawford (W4QK) seconded it. None were opposed. David Corsiglia (WA6TWF) accepted the assignment of researching a caterer.

#### **Repeater Committee**

- Randall Blumberg (KN4FYG) – Co- Director
- Walter Brumbeloe (W4EFS) – Co- Director

#### **DMR Repeater**

- DMR Repeater
- Conventional Repeater Operation Only
- 449.9000 In (Subscriber TX)
- 444.9000 Out (Subscriber RX)
- CC 15
- Timeslot 1 – TG358
- Timeslot 2 – TG985

#### **Field Day Committee-**

- Edwin Davis (KQ4SRF) – 2025 Co-Director
- Sam Reeder (WW4ZT) – 2025 Co-Director
  - To Join the Field Day Committee
  - You must join via Groups.io
  - <http://arcccinc.groups.io/g/fieldday/topics>

#### **Review of Motions and Assignments**

**\*Motion** –Eric Cagle (KK4ZHT) made motion to adjourn the meeting and Randall Blumberg (KN4FYG) seconded it. None were opposed.

Meeting Adjourned at 20:30