

Minutes of the Butte Radio Club Annual Meeting

Date: December 7, 2024

Location: Butte Library

Time: 10:45 AM

In Attendance: Ed Bodenberger – W7ARO, Erik Bodenberger – KA7JMH, Rob Sisson – KE7IYU, Gene Bodenberger – Vice President and Presiding Officer – N7ARO, Steve Shannon – AI7KS – Recording Secretary, Jack Hook – Treasurer – KK7IZN, Rodney Pewitt – N7TRG, Jerry McDonald W7FVB, Cliff Gade – N7ATM.

Annual Meeting Agenda

The following business items are required by our bylaws:

Election of Directors and Officers

The nominees are as follows:

President: Cliff Gade (N7ATM)

Vice President: Gene Bodenberger (N7ARO)

Treasurer: Jack Hook (KK7IZN)

Trustee/Director: Rob Sisson (KE7IYU)

Trustee/Director: Rodney Pewitt (N7TRG)

Director/Repeater Wrangler: James Burk (KG7OMB)

Secretary: Steve Shannon (AI7KS)

Ballots were distributed and votes were cast anonymously. The existing slate of directors were re-elected by the following votes:

President:

Cliff Gade – 6

Gene Bodenberger (write-in) – 1

Jerry McDonald (write-in) – 1

One ballot was unmarked for President.

Cliff received the majority of votes and was reelected.

Vice President:

Gene Bodenberger – 9

Treasurer:

Jack Hook – 9

Secretary:

Steve Shannon – 9

Trustee/Director:

Rob Sisson – 9

Rodney Pewitt – 9

Director/Repeater Manager:

James Burk – 9

Financial Report for November 2024 (minus December)

Treasurer's Report:

In November the beginning balance was \$588.08. The club received \$163.56 in donations. The club also received a refund of \$97.40 for the canceled insurance policy for BARC leaving a balance of \$849.04. The club was required to pay \$151.00 to have the Forest Service application processed. Steve paid that and the club voted to reimburse him for that amount, leaving a balance of \$698.04. A final year end financial report will be delivered at the January meeting.

Motion to Approve Treasurer's Report:

Motion Made: Steve Shannon

Seconded: Erik Bodenberger

Vote: Unanimous Aye

Business Plan: The Bylaws of the Butte Radio Club require that a business plan and budget describing the future activities of the corporation be presented by the current President. The following was estimated:

Budget:

Insurance ~\$250

PO Box - ~\$190

Forest Service Fees – Unknown at this time – we must ensure we have extra in the treasury or get real serious about fundraising!

IRS 1023EZ application - \$275

Electrician – Unknown at this time.

List of Items to be Completed in 2025:

Transfer of title for trailer

Publish Website!!!!

File application for 501(c)(3)

If application is approved, apply for grants from NorthWestern Energy, Butte Community Foundation, etc.

Reading of the Minutes of the Last Meeting:

Steve read the November minutes. There were no corrections.

Motion to Approve the Minutes of the Last Meeting with noted corrections

Motion Made: Jack Hook

Seconded: Ed Bodenberger

Vote: Unanimous Aye

Any other business for the good of the order:

Jack and Erik wanted the minutes to show that the club had voted to reimburse Steve for \$151 for Forest Service expenses.

Jack made a motion and Gene seconded it to reimburse Steve for the Post Office Box \$192.

The motion was passed almost unanimously; Steve abstained.

Jack asked that the minutes show that he would generate donation receipts for Steve for website expenses.

Rodney announced that he would probably shut down the SW Montana Amateur Radio Facebook group.

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion Made: Rodney

Seconded: Steve