



Solivita Radio Club

General Meeting Minutes
February 24, 2022

As elected at the January 27, 2022 General Meeting:

President: Paul Bresnowitz, N2TTR

Vice President: Alan Mcilwain, KI8JV (Not present)

Secretary: Wayne Schoeffel, KJ4FXB

Treasurer: Lisa Bresnowitz, N2TTS

Club Station License Trustee: Jeff Saly, WA4LLL

In addition to the SRC Officers, the following Members were present:

George, N3GB

Doug, WB8ZNL

CJ, KO4CCB

Mac, KB7SFY

Marty, WA1GVH

Reg, KD8THB

Mike, KD4PTT

Norm, KD2ICH

The Meeting was called to order by President Paul at 7:05 pm.

Old Business

A motion for approval of the minutes from our Meeting on January 27 was approved by all present. Minutes can be found on the Club website: <https://solivitaradioclub.weebly.com/>.

President's Report:

- Noted that this is our first meeting in the Gator Room. Acoustics are much better and projector and screen are built in.
- Club POCs have been updated with Lifestyles, also at ARRL and soon for our bank account.
- The Wimbledon Pavilion has been reserved for our June 25-26 Field Day.
- The Ham Radio Outlet (HRO) in Winter Springs was visited by three of our members. They carry many items, especially interesting for small things that don't qualify for free shipping online.

- A contingent from the Club attended Hamcation in Orlando on Friday, February 11. Lots of vendors and equipment on display as expected. A particularly interesting talk on Emergency Communications was presented.
- We are still waiting to hear back from the ARRL West Central Florida (WCF) Manager to visit and acknowledge our becoming an ARRL-affiliated Club.
- At the Solivita Club President's meeting we learned that Lifestyles has a helium tank we could use that may factor into our Field Day antenna plans.
- We are planning monthly officer meetings to stay on top of things.

V.P. Report (None presented – V.P. not present)

Treasurer's Report:

- Lisa reported a balance of \$464.69 on hand (verified with bank on 2/23/2022). No expenses; no income for the month.
- Dues are due in April.
- Transfer of bank POCs to be scheduled.

N4SRC Repeater Trustee Report:

- Jeff reported a controller wiring connection problem was resolved.

KD8THB Repeater Report:

- Reg reported that repeater will be digital very soon. It will run in DMR mode (most popular).
- Demo to occur at our next Club meeting.

GMRS Repeater Report:

- Although Jerry was not present, it was reported that the reduction in GMRS license fee has not been reduced yet.

New Business

The Techcon at the Polk Emergency Operations Center (EOC) is planned for February 26.

Visit to Spectrum (channel 13) station is in the works for March (Mark, KC4ZVK, is contact).

Four members have purchased End-Fed ½ wave antenna kits. A date for a group assembly session is being organized. A drill and soldering iron will be required.

Mark, KC4ZVK, is planning a digital radio demo.

Summer Field Day Planning is coming in May and June. A 10' x 20' tent is being considered for cooling.

Relocation of the repeaters from the Tower is being considered due to the continuing water incursion. Other locations in Solivita are being sought. The Tower opposite the end of the Poinciana Parkway is one candidate. Nothing else is in there and there is an upper level that could house the antennas.

Ideas for future activities:

- Fox hunt
- HRO visit
- VEC testing session
- Special Activities (as seen under QST special events listing) (Solivita Car Show?)
- Your ideas??

Meeting Adjourned at 7:50.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne, KJ4FXB