

The Enid Amateur Radio Club (EARC)
MINUTES OF JULY 2017 MEETING
July 20, 2017 (ARCLight-20170720.pdf)

NOTE: THIS IS A PROPOSED DRAFT PENDING ADOPTION BY MEMBERS
PRESENT AT THE NEXT REGULAR CLUB MEETING.

The Enid Amateur Radio Club held a regular monthly meeting Thursday evening, July 20, 2017, in the Conference Room of the Salvation Army Chapel, 220 West Pine Avenue, Enid, OK.

Members present: S.COTTER/KD5EUS, B.KECK/K5ECI, T.MCANALLY/KD5KTB,
B.NOKES/W5EIY, D.PLANK/KE5PQY, V.SANDERS/KF5CUR, C.SAULS/WA5RZJ,
J.SCOUTEN/KG5CWV, G.SPILLMAN/KF5CUT, D.LOCKE/KC5SII, AND K.WHITES/
KD5ONG

V. Sanders, Club President, called the meeting to order at 6:54 p.m. and opened the floor for updates on the welfare of absent members and friends, especially noting K6GLA, AD8B, WA5GFO, K9KRH, KD5UID, and Roseann, wife of KD5ONG.

Motion by S.Cotter, seconded by B.Nokes [CARRIED, unanimous] to accept the minutes of the previous meeting as distributed and as posted to the EARC website (ARCLight-20170615.pdf).

Motion by S.Cotter, seconded by B.Nokes [CARRIED, unanimous] to approve the Treasurer's report as distributed, showing in detail that, with all outstanding bills reconciled, the Club has positive checking and savings account balances at SNB as of this date.

Summary of recent activities—

- Meadowlake 4th of July. Supported by J.Scouten, V.Sanders and B.Keck. Successful event. Solved problem of music overriding the cue reader.
- ARRL Field Day, June 24-25. J.Scouten, coordinator. Held on lawn of MERC property on South Van Buren. Dinner served outdoors on the site. Modest attendance. Three rigs operating from mains.

Upcoming events —

- Solar Eclipse QSO Party (SEQP), B.Keck distributed details. The SEQP will take place on August 21, 2017 from 1400 – 2200 UTC. Partial eclipse begins at about 1600 UTC in Oregon ends at about 2015 UTC in South Carolina.
- Tour de Trykes Road Tour, Saturday, August 19th, 2017; 7:30 a.m. David Allen Memorial Ballpark. J.Scouten, coordinator. Repeater issues need to be resolved.
- Cherokee Strip Parade— Saturday, September 16; 10:30 a.m. A.Fox, coordinator.
- Enid Hamfest— Saturday, November 4; 8:00 a.m. Committee will begin to meet soon.
- Enid Lights Up the Plains— Friday, November 24; 5:00-7:30 PM

Discussion—

- Re-inventing EARC—i.e., how to encourage individual initiatives while maintaining Club unity.
- Building awareness, improving perception, and getting inquiries.
 - EARC presence at local events such as—
 - Ames Man Day, March
 - Ames Day, August
 - Drummond Watermelon Feed, August
 - Enid Kites Over Enid, April
 - Goltry Annual Pig Roast, May
 - Lahoma Palooza, July
 - Waukomis Fish/Calf Fry, April
 - Waukomis Garden Tractor Pull, April
 - Team presentations to:
 - City of Enid (appropriate departments)
 - Civic clubs

Old Business—

- Consensus that the strategy for repeater restoration is to get 145.290 up ASAP, then install 147.150 at Salvation Army as part of linked system.
- Continuing discussion of possible tower/site options for the 145.290 repeater. Sites mentioned included local Pioneer towers, Kan-Okla near Goltry, and TotalComm south of Lahoma.

New Business—

- Pending appointment of 2018 Nominating Committee
- Pending appointment of 2017 Financial Review Committee.
- Introduced to Salvation Army Major John Edmonds who took over the top post at the Enid corps on June 19.

Motion by S.Cotter, seconded by B.Nokes [CARRIED] to adjourn at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Keck/K5ECI, EARC Secretary/Treasurer