

## **AARC Meeting Minutes January 11, 2022**

Meeting started at 7 pm by Ed Berkowitz, N3US, President and conducted via Zoom.

### **Treasurer's Report – Don Eason: For December, 2021**

Beginning Balance: \$29,232.10

Checks	\$87.62	(Bill Pond, repeater repair parts)
Deposit	\$973.49	(Dues 152.88, Interest 0.25 & donations of 820.36)

Ending Balance: \$30,117.97

Ed sent email to remind everyone that it is time to renew dues for 2022. We prefer using online form and using Paypal to renew dues.

New members voted in as members  
Kyle Snavely – K3PT, Extra, full member  
Tim Forrester – K04VLN, Technician, full member  
Eldon Liu – plans to take exams, associate membe.

**Public Service & Repeaters – Dave Damon:**  
146.925, 146.895, 146.760 and 224.76 repeaters all linked together thanks to Jim Owen.  
Repeater 895 seems to be doing better.

Event on May 14: a 4-course bike tour running out of Pro Re Nata Brewery in Crozet.

### **Antenna Team – Ed B.:**

Ed & Larry chair antenna team. Expecting lots of work upcoming due to severe winter storms.

**Monday Night Net – Larry Eicher:** no announcements.

**Web:** ARRL membership added to Paypal renewal form. Need this information in order to maintain special service organization status with ARRL.

Ed: when it warms up in Spring we can hold swapfest on Saturdays again.

**Elections:** Nominating Committee chaired by Dave Damon  
Time to Elect Officers: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer.  
Director slots: Education, Fund Raising and Publicity.  
There were no nominations. So suggest we continue as is and find members to take on duties.  
We will try to have election next month.

## **Presentation – Bob Pattison (K4DU): Moving Antenna Tower:**

K4DU station moved to new home and he wanted at least 2 acres, no antenna restrictions, and close to C'ville. His new home in Palmyra has some woods, slight slope, tree line runs slightly NW to SE. At old QTH, he had a 58 ft guyed Rohn 25G tower, a log periodic type Yagi, Carolina Windom, 60 meter antenna. Tower put up in late 80's.

Was going to use tower at his new QTH but decided to sell it and purchase a non-guyed, aluminum tower (50 ft heavy duty Universal Tower) . He hired Tim Jellison, KL7WV, a professional tower installer to remove the old tower and will use him to install his new tower. The antenna team and others served as ground crew for removal of his old guyed tower which has been sold with Jim Wilson taking over 500 photos. See recording.

Bob will reuse the same Sommers beam, (20 ft boom, 92 lbs) at his new QTH.. The new tower weighs 200 pounds and the tower base has been installed in concrete.

Preparations at new site, Nahor Manor. Had to work ham radio setup into remodeling and moving projects. John Porter helped install a 210 ft G5RV antenna. Bob ordered 50 ft heavy duty Universal Tower with no guy wires. Entire tower weight 200 lbs. Tower base installed and concrete poured. The concrete base is 5 x 5 x 6 feet and the concreted weighs over 36,000 pounds.

Bob will need assistance during his planned mid February tower and antenna installation.

End of presentation.

Ed thanked everyone for attending.

Meeting adjourned by Ed.

Note from Secretary: I was not present at meeting; notes taken by John Porter and session recorded. These minutes composed from recording and notes. Thank you to John.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen Kramer, KN4CJI, Secretary

### **AARC Meeting Attendee List**

1/11/2022

27 in attendance via Zoom.

John Porter	KK4JP
Ed Berkowitz	N3US
James Owen	K4CGY
Frank Haynes	W4NUA
Bob Romanko	AK4BR
Ben Casto	NX4S
Bill	KX4KZ
Bill Oleksy	KF4IE

Dave Damon	K4DND
Dave Beebe	KN4UEK
Don Eason	N4UVA
Ian Callahan	KN4TBG
Jim Wilson	K4BAV
Joe DiVincents	KO8V
Kyle Snavely	K3PT
Bob Pattison	K4DU
Ken Kellerman	K2AOE
Warren Yursik	KN4LYF
Larry Eicher	K4JZQ
Michael Rein	KA4JJD
Mike McPherson	KQ9P
Paul McKee	AK4OH
Ron Richey	K4RKA
Sara Townsley	KO4UPF
Steve Fox	KA4FOX
Taylor Vierrether	KC4K
Tim Forrester	KO4VLN