

WOBXO
BROOKINGS RADIO RESEARCH CLUB
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Meeting Notes April 3rd, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 7:04pm by President Bruce KE0NWG.

The Secretary's report was covered by George KF0CCI.

Motion was made by Harlan KC0FLK and Dick KB0QEF seconded, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report. Current Balance is \$2300.02 . Read By Bruce KE0NWG.

Members Attending: 12

KA0NPW, KB0EG, KB0OVY and Dee Williams, KB0QEF, KC0FLK, KE0NWG, KE0WPC, KF0CCI, WOZML, WB0CPW, and Paul Setnes

Old Business

94 Repeater

The 94 repeater is in operation at Dave WB0TSR's QTH. A new Diamond X510HD antenna for the repeater has been purchased by Bruce KE0NWG and this spring the antenna will be installed in Aurora, SD on the City water tower. When in place the repeater will be moved to the Aurora city maintenance shop. The club has a Diamond X50 antenna for use with the mobile communications shack.

Recent maintenance on the Aurora City water tower and maintenance shop has been completed. Bruce to work with Kurt to set a date to install the antenna and feed line.

Aiden KC0WPC suggested installing a 70cm repeater with the 94 Repeater and has collected equipment that may be usable for this purpose.

Waiting on Springtime and members schedules for install.

No Further Updates in this meeting.

Mobile Ham Shack (Club Trailer) could use some repairs and upgrades: Harlan and Paul installed some new lights in the trailer. A backup battery is needed. They tested a diamond antenna with the new setup and it worked well. Results were good on 146.52.

Brookings Marathon

The Brookings Marathon is May 13th, 2023. Please consider volunteering, we can use every ham we can get. Pass this on to other local hams who may be interested in helping out.

Possible attendees for volunteering

- Aiden KE0WPC
- George KF0CCI
- Todd KF0AIT
- Dave WB0TSR (maybe)
- Harlan KC0FLK
- Darel WB0CPW (trailer)
- Paul

New Business

Clean Club Room

The club room in the basement of the public safety building should be cleaned and reorganized. We will sort out equipment and determine what needs to go. Adam W0ZML and Aiden KE0WPC volunteered to help clean.

ARRL Field Day 2023

Field day is on June 23rd. The club will likely utilize the mobile ham shack, and will likely be operating from the gun club. We may be able to borrow the county trailer. Adam W0ZML upgraded the club's laptops. He may need the N3FJP software key.

Roof Feed Line

The feed line going to one of the antennas on the police station roof needs repair.

Meeting Finals

Dick KB0QEF motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Harlan KC0FLK, the motion was carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:02 pm.

The next Club meeting will be Monday June 5th, 2023 Starting at 7:00PM in the Basement of the Brookings Safety Center Building.

Announcements and bulletins

W0BXO Zoom Coffee will be the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 2pm. The zoom meetings may cease during the summer and fall months.

Club Dues are due, 20\$ for single membership and Family memberships are 25\$. Donations for the 94 repeaters will be accepted and are appreciated. Dues can be paid in person at any club meeting (please talk with Art or one of the club officers). You can also send dues via mail to:

Art Wilbur
P.O. Box 177
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The Club has a Hamshack Hotline bridge at 1342. Arend NK0V arranged for the bridge and it is up and running. Several members including Dave WB0TSR, Bruce KE0NWX, Todd KF0AIT, and Arend NK0V have Hamshack Hotlines.

The SD NEO net is at 6pm after the 5:30pm MN Section Net on 3.860 Mhz. The ND net follows at 6:30pm.

We would like to remind all members that any equipment or books borrowed from the club must be signed out upon removal. Also, a discussion on the expected time an Item is borrowed was discussed. It was determined that a time of one month would be typical but allowances can be made upon discussion with the club.