

**W3UU The Harrisburg Radio Amateurs Club, Inc.**  
**President – Terry [WB3BKN], Vice-President – Chuck [KA1YSR]**



**MINUTES OF THE APRIL 9, 2025 MEETING**

**MEETING CALL TO ORDER:**

The Wednesday, April 9, 2025, meeting of the Harrisburg Radio Amateur's Club, Inc. was called to order at 1830L by the Vice President, Chuck [KA1YSR], at the Vietnam Veterans of America Post 542, 8000 Derry St, Harrisburg, PA 17111.

**INTRODUCTIONS:**

13 individuals were present and introduced themselves by name and callsign.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

March 2025 Minutes were opened for comments, questions, and corrections. Motion to Accept the March 2025 Secretary's Report as published to the HRAC/W3UU Website by Tim [W4NKC] and seconded by Curt [K3URT]. The attending membership approved the Meeting Minutes by voice vote.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Frank [K3FXA] presented the Treasurer's Reports for February and March 2025. Motion to Accept the two Treasurer's Reports by Rick [K2RBT] and seconded by Paul [KA3SGY]. The attending membership approved the Treasurer's Report by voice vote.

**LICENSE TRUSTEE REPORT:**

Dave [KC3MG] was not able to attend. No Report this month.

**EQUIPMENT TRUSTEE REPORT:**

Terry [WB3BKN] was not able to attend. No Report this month. Frank [K3FXA] has paid for the new multiplexer at the new repeater site.

**LAUREL VE COMMITTEE:**

VE Tim [W4NKC] reported that the next testing date Saturday, April 19, 2025 at 0900L and that individuals must register by 1800L on April 16, 2025. Please arrive by 0830L on test day to get checked in so that testing can start promptly at 0900L. The testing location is the Vietnam Veterans of America Post 542, 8000 Derry St, Harrisburg, PA 17111.

**REPEATER COMMITTEE:**

Terry [WB3BKN] was not able to attend. No Report this month.

**MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:**

Membership Chair Tim [W4NKC] reported that our total renewals for 2025 are unchanged from March 2025. With more than 50% of our members also being ARRL members, we remain an ARRL Affiliated Club. If you have not renewed your membership for 2025, please do so!

**WEB PAGE COMMITTEE:**

Web site is up and running. Please send ideas to Webmaster Rick [K2RBT]. Rick is working on an integration to get our Facebook feed to appear on our website.

**EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS:**

- Contact ares.harrisburgpa@gmail.com to be added to the e-mail list for updates and announcements.
- Dauphin County ARES / RACES Net meets every Monday at 1900L on the 145.110 repeater (Ellendale Forge, W3ND). All are welcome to participate in the Net.
- In-Person meetings are on the fourth Thursday of the month. Our next in-person meeting will start at 1900L on Tuesday, 22 April 2025 at the Lower Paxton Township Building, 425 Prince St, Harrisburg

**ELMER TIME:**

Tonight's Elmer Time Topic, presented by Frank [K3FXA], was planned to be about Meshtastic technology with HAM Radios and Direwolf software but turned out to be a more general discussion about Direwolf and all of the different ways of using it. Possible future Elmer Time with more details on the uses of Direwolf packet software.

Elmer Time Coordinator Steve [KC3VPJ] is always looking for topics that we can match up with our experienced HAMs to present on.

May's Elmer Time is planned to be on Message Handling by Terry [WB3BKN] and Adam [KC3MFJ] will be presenting Elmer Times in June and July about PCB Design.

**ARRL FIELD DAY:**

ARRL Field Day will be held June 28-29, 2025 this year. Preparations are starting now, so if you would like to volunteer or have any ideas for community outreach, please contact our HRAC Field Day coordinator Steve [KC3VPJ]. Like last year, we will be at Central Penn College.

**UPCOMING HAMFESTS:**

The next Hamfest for the club will be the Firecracker Hamfest on Saturday July 5, 2025 with site preparation and set up on Friday July 4, 2025. Please contact Terry [WB3BKN] to volunteer.

**OLD CLUB BUSINESS:**

Nothing to report.

**NEW CLUB BUSINESS:**

Nothing to report.

**FOR THE GOOD OF THE CLUB:**

Nothing to report.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion to adjourn was made by Rick [K2RBT] and seconded by Paul [KA3SGY]. The business meeting closed at 1855L with approval by all attendees by voice vote.

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED** by Frank Aponte [K3FXA], Secretary.

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*FCC club station license rule Title 47, Section 97.5: "The club must be composed of at least four persons and must have a name, a document of organization, management, and a primary purpose devoted to amateur service activities consistent with this part." In addition, the document of organization must be kept in the club's records and made available to the FCC upon request.*