

# February LCARA Business Meeting

## Minutes of Record

### Held

Wednesday, Feb 21, 2024, at 1900 hours. Ralph N2RJR led the group in the flag salute.

### In Attendance

- Ralph, N2RJR (President, and conducting)
- Glen, N7UIG (Treasurer)
- Don, KB7ZWL (Vice President)
- Masen, KF7HVM (Secretary)
- Rick, WA7NWN
- Kevin, KC6FLG (Trustee)
- Earl, N3EG
- Connie, KB7AYY
- Brian, KJ7OX
- Steve, K7KO
- Jeff, KJ6ETR
- Butch, AE7KJ
- Mike, KI7MPV
- Steve KN7SLR
- Tammy R
- Anthony KK7NTM
- Renee KK7OZK (Guest)

### Correspondence

None recorded.

### Officer Reports

#### President Ralph, N2RJR

No Report

#### Vice President Don, KB7ZWL

No Report

#### Treasurer Glen, N7UIG

Feb: Expenses: 169  
Income \$400  
\$5362 total

KC6FLG makes a motion to approve. KF6ETR/KI7MPV seconds. Approved with 1 dissent.

#### Secretary: Masen, KF7HVM

No Report

#### LCARA Trustee: Kevin, KC6FLG

No report

#### ACS Trustee: Butch AE7KJ

March 6<sup>th</sup> – Next ACS Meeting

March 30<sup>th</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday Communication Exercise (need help planning)

June 22<sup>nd</sup> – Tour de Blast

Sep 14<sup>th</sup> – Mock Search

## OLD Business

1. 1. Minutes of the January 17th, 2024, meeting have been posted to the website.
  - a) Don's name needs to be corrected (Done).
  - b) A motion to accept the minutes was made by KB7ZWL Don and seconded by KJ6ETR Jeff. Motion passed with 1 dissent.
2. Christmas party last year went well.
3. 2 new Delta Loops (12m and 17m)
  - a) Installed by Brian KJ7OX and Kevin KC6FLG
  - b) Photos on the club website for those interested.
4. New LCARA and ACS websites are "partially" active. Some content exists, and more coming.
5. Jan 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> – January Field Day.
  - a) No club participation. Rick WA7NWN participated from home.
6. W7DG Woodland repeater: managed by Rob WA7ROB.
  - a) Tuning is required. Will be services when Rob returns.

## New Business

1. Ham of the Year for 2023: **Glen N7UIG** has devoted countless time and effort on the arduous path of correcting the financial status and direction of the club. Mostly invisible work, keeping the club on a great trajectory.
2. Dues are way past due. Many new non-members
3. January Fifth Wednesday Potluck
  - a. 10 attendees, still had a lot of fun.
4. Borrowing from the Club
  - a. Mostly it's been fine without intervention.
  - b. If you borrow equipment from the club, please return it when you're done.
  - c. New policy: tell Ralph if you will be borrowing anything from the club.**
5. Cowlitz County PUD installed a new power line for bicoastal
  - a. New gravel was put on the lower driveway
  - b. We also need new gravel for the parking lot area, but transportation is the bulk of the cost. (Brian KJ7OX as point of contact for arranging)
6. VE Testing Feb 10
  - a. 2 / 2 New Tech Licensees
7. Field Day 2024 – A club sponsored event.
  - a. Alison KK7GJP is chairing the committee. Please reach out to her if you're interested in being involved.
8. IC-7610 Flagship: Please avoid fiddling with the settings on this radio. Use one of the IC-7300 to experiment or bring your own radio.
9. Building Maintenance – Looking for someone to lead this project.
  - a. Replace fascia boards near roof
  - b. Repair gutters
  - c. Pressure wash
  - d. Painting
  - e. Bicoastal Site
10. Grounds Maintenance
  - a. Mowing – Lawnmower needs a new battery.
11. Club Antenna – Mosly T34...T33 now: a limb fall damaged at least one of the elements.

- a. Reduced price: \$250
- 12. KJ7OX Shares North America Sideband Sprint March 24 00:00 – 0359 UTC (4 hours)
  - a. <https://ssbsprint.com>
- 13. 2M Whisper receiver is now online and listening at W7DG
  - a. <http://www.wsprnet.org/drupal/>
  - b. Kevin KC6FLG would like to give a presentation on weak signal modes in the future.
- 14. 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday Operating / Training Days
  - a. KC6FLG: should we restart this in the club? Kevin is willing to offer various training topics, as long as people are interested.
  - b. Participation has been historically low.
- 15. Salmon Run Results: LCARA was 7<sup>th</sup> / 18 clubs in Washington, 104332 total points (N3EG)
- 16. WA7NWN Shares the Idaho State QSO party on March 9<sup>th</sup>

## Good of the Order

None presented.

## Adjourn

A motion was made by Kevin KC6FLG to dismiss, seconded by Connie KB7AYY. Meeting adjourned at 1948 hours.

Respectfully submitted,  
Masen Furer, KF7HVM  
LCARA Secretary

Correction 2024-03-08: Fixed Don's callsign KB7ZWL

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