



# Anoka County Radio Club General Meeting Minutes

March 5, 2021

## Members/Guests Present:

Shawn Rung K0SMR  
Tim Neu KC0LQL  
Shep Shepardson N0NMZ  
Ann Foster K0ANN  
Tom Holleran KC0VXC

Matthew Johnson KD0LVH  
Scott Hash KC0BZG  
Dan Peitso N0PIY  
Jeff Smith N0KCK  
Scott Austad K0SAA

Chris Howard AE0EA  
Rob Montgomery KE0VKO  
Jason Sievert KC0OFX  
Don Zvareck KC0DWZ

**Called to order by the President at 7:00 p.m.** A quorum for this meeting was met (at least 8 members in good standing at the start of the meeting) via Google Meet.



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## Introductions.

**Secretary's Report:** Accepted and Approved as corrected (the date of the meeting was in error).

**Membership Report:** We currently have 49 up to date members (Tech: 6, General: 8, Extra: 16, Adv: 2, None: 13).

**VE Report:** Shep Shepardson N0NMZ reported that we will be starting up the exam sessions again in April if we can be outside again at Blaine (outside).

## Announcements:

Next Board Meeting will be March 23<sup>th</sup>, 2021. A virtual venue will most likely be held.

Next planned General Meeting is April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021. A virtual venue will most likely be held.

Scott Hash KC0BZG announced our net is on Wed nights at 7:00 p.m.

## Board Member Appointments:

Two positions were left vacant as a result of last month's elections: Treasurer and Secretary. As per the bylaws, appointments to these positions shall be made by the Board Members. Tim Neu KC0LQL volunteered for the position of Secretary. Dan Peitso N0PIY volunteered for the position of Treasurer, conditionally vacating his current position of Board Member at Large. Tom Lucey KD0NAA volunteered for the position of Board Member at Large. The board members agreed to these appointments which are now being brought to the membership for approval. **There was a motion for approval of the new board member appointments. Seconded. Approved.** Congratulations to all the newly appointed Board members.

**Treasurer's Report:** Dan Peitso reported that as of February 28<sup>th</sup>, we have a balance of \$655.25. Accepted and Approved.

**The current roster of the Board of Directors is as follows:**

**President:** Shawn Rung K0SMR  
**Vice President:** Shep Shepardson N0NMZ  
**Secretary:** Tim Neu KC0LQL  
**Treasurer:** Dan Peitso N0PIY  
**Board Member at Large:** Jeff Smith N0KCK  
**Board Member at Large:** Tom Lucey KD0NAA  
**CEO:** Bob Cordell KB0GIP

**Old Business:**

**Ideas for new small events:** Tom Holleran is recommending we look into doing some small local events in Anoka County to help represent our club and help people learn about what we do.

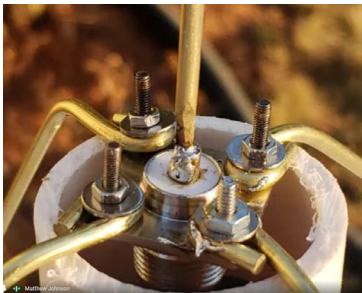
**Possible Upcoming Events:**

- Columbus Lions (Tom Holleran and Tim Neu) – City of Columbus, on Kettle River Blvd, Lions club Family Fun Day in one Saturday in mid-September, we could have a table there to show what we do and represent the club. VHF, HF, 2-3 people, etc.
- Scouts Jamboree on the air with local Centerville scout troop (Tim Neu and Tom Holleran). October 25-27<sup>th</sup> would need 2-3 to work this event, etc.
- Field Day – Tim Neu and Tom Holleran - June 26-27<sup>th</sup>, working on sites now.
- Centerville Festival / Fete Des Lacs events – planning on attending upcoming meetings. July 13<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>.
- Skywarn Training – Classes are planned to be virtual this year. Details are on the Skywarn and our website.
- Halloween Special Event Station – October 31<sup>st</sup>.
- Christmas Party – First Saturday in December.

**New Business:**

Hams in the Park has started up again. Tim will post the details on our website.

**Presentation:** Matt Johnson discussed his recent ham radio projects – Building a ground plane antenna for 220 Mhz. (left picture below)



**Presentation:** Tim Neu discussed the Hams on the Lake Mesh test event from the past weekend at White Bear Lake. Used a Raspberry Pi to connect to the statewide mesh network with his tower trailers and mesh gear. Uses 5Ghz units. (right picture above)

**Adjourned at 8:30 p.m.** Thank you to all members and guests for joining us tonight.