

GARDEN STATE AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION
MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 16, 2025

CALL TO ORDER: 1934

SALUTE TO FLAG: Led by Bill K2WFB

HEALTH AND WELFARE: None

MINUTES OF MEETING of October 2, 2025 read by Bill K8BP Motion Cy K2CYS, Second Art N2AJO – approved unanimously.

NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS: Family membership application by Changzhe (Kim) Gao was read by Bill K8BP. Motion Jay W2FLK, second Art W2NAZ – approved unanimously. Kim joined the meeting at 2011 and made a few comments. Ed welcomed him and the zoom meeting waved hello.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: a) dues notices are out and payments are coming back in. Get your dues paid by the end of the year; b) The Fox Hunt at the Monmouth Battlefield on October 5 was a success and all participants found at least one of the 5 transmitters; c) We continue to expect a return to the ARC building – the latest information indicates that we will be able to meet again in the building by the first meeting in November; d) The winner of the raffle for the Yaesu FT-10DX donated by the prize back to the club. After extensive discussions between the officers, the State having notified the club that the conditions for the raffle had been successfully conducted, it was decided to hold a drawing from among the members of the club who had bought raffle tickets for the radio. The drawing will be held at the November meeting if we are back in the ARC building; e) the end of the year approaches with elections being held in November, the awards dinner in February and installation of the officers in December at which appropriate festivities will be planned and available

TREASURER'S REPORT: Art W2NAZ reported that the monthly report had been distributed by President Ed NN2D and will be kept with the records of this meeting by Secretary Bill K8BP. After discussion of the items contained in the report motion Bill K2WFB, second Pete NA2J to approve the report as submitted – passed unanimously.

REPORTS: Engineers Report by Marlo KA2IRQ – a) the fox hunt was a lot of fun and participation at future events is encouraged; b) the ARC is installing a full roof solar panel system. It is being investigated as to whether the microprocessors will cause interference and we will work with the ARC to resolve any issues as they will recognize the in the event of an emergency and our activation our ability to provide service to them cannot be compromised; c) a proposal about the 8040 will follow; d) the new 440 continues to have issues which are being addressed. We are working on the duplexer; e) the SET for NNJ will be held this weekend with the scenario involving a massive earthquake; f) MCARS has a new web site.

HamFest and Raffle Report by Art N2AJO – 162 tickets were sold, we recognized \$3,240 in sales, the gate took in \$755, sales at our table was \$1,71.50, food costs were \$162.

The radio final cost was \$1,647.80 and the club netted \$2,686.50.

On another matter Art N2AJO suggested that the Secretary send a letter of thanks to the Bob Buus family and the John King family thanking them for all the donations of various ham equipment and documentation received from them.

NEW BUSINESS: Nominating Committee – Art N2AJO reported that the committee was submitting a slate of Ed NN2D president, Bill K2WFB Vice President, Bill K8BP Secretary, Art W2NAZ Treasurer and Marlo KA2IRQ Engineer. He asked if there were any nominations from the floor, and there were none. Art then submitted the slate for election at the November Business meeting noting that other nominations could still be made as provided in the bylaws.

Equipment – Marlo KA2IRQ submitted a request for funding for a new dipole to be installed at the ARC. Cost of \$182 and with shipping and handling being the cost to

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something estimated to be less than \$200. Motin Art N2AJO, second Mitch KE2BRG to approve \$220 for the purchase – passed unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: a) Ed Nn2D is looking for program suggestions – meeting topics and presenters. November meeting will be dedicated to pursuing topics of interest; b) as previously noted elections will be held at the November business meeting.

CLOSE: 2027

Attendance (Zoom): CY K2CYS, Ed NN2D, Bill K8BP, Marlo KA2IRQ, Marty N2BMK, Bill K2WFB, Art N2AJO, Art W2NAZ, Mike KC2NJ, Vinnie KE2BFB, Pete NA2J, Steve N2BCS, Jay W2FKLK, Suzan W2QMI, Kim Ke2GPM.

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