

East Pasco Amateur Radio Society, Inc
General meeting Minutes
Date 2022-04-09

1. Call to order

Duane Archibald called to order the general meeting of EPARS Inc at 8:00 AM on 2022-04-09 at the IHOP at 13100 US-301, Dade City, Florida.

2. Roll call

A roll call was conducted, and the following persons were present: 16 Total

President: **N4WDH** Duane Archibald
Vice President: **AA4CB** Chris Bloxsom
Treasurer: **N9GKO** Jack Suske
Secretary: **KB4WGA** John LeMay

Attendees:

N8LF Lee Ferrell = Member
W4DPL Dan Lindberg = Member
KG4GTN Jack Olson = Member
W9RUS Rus Thackery = Member
N7KP Steve Kometz = Member
N7BAK Barbara Kometz = Member
N4CBH Sam Herron = Member
KK4LW Rick Lesquier = Member
KM4FBE Allen Noble = Member
N4ESS Rich Kennedy = Member
KN4BNU Larry Banuat = Member

3. Minutes from last meeting were read and approved.

4. Treasurer report:

Checking 3/30/2022 = \$3049.56
Savings 3/30/2022 = \$205.00

5. Repeater Report: The 443.600 C4FM Repeater and the 146.880 repeater are up and running. We have noticed some “feedback” on the 146.880. it seems to happen during and after it rains. We will continue to investigate this. The Echo link/All-star Station has been updated and is now running at 100%. We will be adding filters to the link radios to cut down on the possibility of interference. The GMRS station that the club purchased is being racked and being made ready to go on the air as soon as we can locate a location for it.

6. Announcements

- Duane announced we now have 33 current Dues paying members. We continue to accept donations and dues on PayPal from the website. He encouraged members to join the ARRL through the club, if this is done, the club is given a portion of the funds. The last VE session under the old free license is on Tuesday April 12th. License test after April 19, 2022, will require a payment of \$35 to the FCC.

- Duane announced the club nets on 2 meters and 440 and Encouraged people to tune in. Everyone is invited to participate in the Tuesday EPARS Net at 7:00 PM on 146.880 and the C4FM digital net on Thursday nights at 8:00 PM on the 443.600. If you have a wires X box, just connect to the WCF room. We have been having 7 to 10 participants each week on C4FM. It's a very informal net in a round table format.
- **EPARS 2022 Tailgate:** will be held on Saturday May 28th, 2022, at 37742 Church Avenue, Dade City Fl. We need volunteers to help with the event. We need volunteers to help setup, assist with parking and tending the entrance. Talk-in will be on 146.880 repeater and 146.880 simplex w/tone 146.2

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SATURDAY MAY 28th 2022

admission
\$5
(Donation)
Sellers **\$10**

under 12 are FREE

Ham Radio License Testing - 9am
\$15.00 cash (ARRL Fee)
Candidates must have FRN
from FCC and a valid email address
in advance

(includes 1 admission) To reserve your seat for a test email K4EX@arrl.net



37744 Church Ave Dade City, FL 33525
Tailgate is located across from American Legion
Country atmosphere - All Outdoors
Restrooms and ATM available
Free Parking

Official Hamfest Repeater

Rx 146.880 Tx offset -.600

Tone encode 146.2

For questions regarding the Tailgate, contact:

Chris Bloxsom aa4cb@arrl.net

visit our website : <http://eparsonline.org>

- **ARRL Field Day 2022:** On the weekend of June 25th and 26th EPARS will be participating in the annual ARRL Field Day. Please contact AA4CB to let him know if you will be participating in the 24hour event.

K4EX
 East Pasco Amateur Radio Society
 32700 Railroad ave.
 San Antonio, FL
Talk-in: 146.880 rpt
Contact: Chris Bloxsom
 fieldday@eparsonline.org
 http://eparsonline.org
 Field Day is always a great event to come out and make new friends and share a weekend hamming with old ones.

2022 FIELD DAY

RADIO COMMUNICATIONS
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ARRL AFFILIATED CLUB

SCAN FOR DIRECTIONS

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- Our Program for the meeting this month was postponed due to unexpected events and will be rescheduled.
- Our next EPARS meeting will be held Saturday, May 14th, 2022, at 8:00 AM

7. Net Control Operators We need volunteers for net control on Tuesday nights. Currently, we only have 2. If we can get 3 members to volunteer that would really help. Its very easy to read from the script and is good training. It also lets you get to know the names, calls, and voices of the group!

8. Adjournment

President: Duane Archibald adjourned the meeting at 8:45 AM

- After or meeting we had our usual Saturday morning breakfast at 9:00 AM

Minutes submitted by EPARS Secretary: KB4WGA John LeMay

Minutes approved by: President: N4WDH Duane Archibald