



**The American Legion Nelson County KY
Post 42 Amateur Radio Club
Meeting Minutes**

April 12, 2021

I. Call to order

KE4KBM - President John Czerwinski called to order the **April** regular meeting of The American Legion Nelson County KY Post 42 Amateur Radio Club aka Club, Meeting at approximately **1800 HRS ET**

Meeting Place: American Legion Post 42 Meeting Hall.

II. Members Present

The following persons were present in the meeting.

KE4KBM, John Czerwinski – President
N2GWK, George Kaneff – Secretary
KD4NSU, Bill Adams – Member
KO4IZS, Charles Miller – Member
KO4GGE, John Allen – Member
AE4NU, Tom Kruer - Member
KO4FPO, Chris Gootee – Member
W4CMY, Chandler Young – Member

III. Secretary's Report

The March 2021 Meeting Minutes were available on the Group Page prior to the Club Meeting, reading was not required. John called for a motion to approve those minutes as posted. Chris, KO4FPO, so moved, Bill, KD4NSU seconded. Motion was voted on and carried without dissent.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Bud, ND8G, was not present. Chris, KO4FPO made an interim report. Chris reported that we currently have \$2,146.61. There was a deposit of \$65 and there was a check for \$32.00 written to ARRL for test fees.

As this was interim report, a vote for approval of the March Financials will be held at the next regularly scheduled meeting.



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V. Old Business

- 1.) Bill KD4NSU reported on the status of Netlist. Needs to send it to George again due to an email issue. N2GWK, to put on the group Google Drive upon receipt. The document will become a living document available for edit/additions as needed. Bill mentioned he will be validating the data in the net schedule.
- 2.) John reported that he and Bud, ND8G has not been able to meet with Mark due to Covid-19 and some 'turbulence' Mark is having. The equipment is still in storage.
- 3.) John reported on Fund raising activities at Armory. Originally targeted for Spring, this needs to be shifted later in Summer.
- 4.) Chris, KO4FPO, reported that the Post is now licensed with the state Charitable Gaming Commission and activities regarding Bingo that will start on May 7, 2021. There will be a Friday and Saturday night Bingo. Fund Raising opportunities are there for the Radio Club by RC Members working various jobs during the Bingo sessions. RC Members contact Chris KO4FPO, training will be given the 1st Week of May.

VI. John reported on license testing. Next session is scheduled for April 24th. This will be the last test session until September or October.

- a. John will begin recruiting VE's in July/August time frame for September and October test sessions. As soon as there are enough VE willing to participate, John will post dates to ARRL.
- b. We will skip the May testing session due to Memorial Day weekend and the June session due to ARRL Field Day.
- c. July and August are being skipped so VE's may participate in family vacation activities.
- d. There will be testing in September and October based on VE availability. (See a. above)
- e. November and December will be skipped due to Thanksgiving and Christmas activities.
VE
- f. Testing will resume, January 2022.



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5.) Repeater Update:

a. Shawn and Chandler were not present to report on the repeater.

6.) John KE4KBM has not been able to contact Arnold Kobler's son who has been over-run with estate issues following Arnold's passing.

a. John has some information on Arnold's radio equipment for sale. John put this out to the membership.

b. John asked Chandler about repeater. Chandler stated that he will remove the /R from the Repeater ID since that is now associated with Russia.

c. KD4NSU reported that the grass at the repeater site has been mowed.

d. KD4NSU reported that Echolink has been problematic. Problem has been determined and repairs will be made.

7.) Red Cross: John reported that the Red Cross has closed the Nelson County office. He and Chris KO4FPO have picked up the radios since they belong to the Post. John will contact Mr. Pruitt of Nelson County EMA regarding said radios in case they need them for shelter activation during an emergency as NCEMA is now responsible for said shelters and activation.

8.) Field Day

a. Club will participate from our home location as a Class D station (limited to 150 Watts Peak Output) claiming KB4KY as Club ID on your submitted logs. Take care to state "KB4KY" only in your submitted logs.

9.) Last call for Old Business. Open discussion on some cutover to new repeater building took place. No actions were stated.

VII. New business

1.) Classes for new HAMS. Based on last month's discussion John approached Bethlehem HS Principal, Ms. Thurman, regarding Star Program. John is awaiting return call from Ms. Thurman regarding same. There was some discussion on costs and funding sources to include



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books, testing session and provision of a radio at successful completion of course/test. This is just an FYI no action called.

- 2.) Chris, KO4FPO, brought up a United Way of Kentucky race coming up in September. Some discussion ensued regarding the use of the Post Baofeng radios and licensing, licensing. More information is coming for further discussion at a subsequent meeting.
- 3.) Chandler, W4CMY, brought up the Kentucky Bourbon Festival. Chandler will reserve the K4B call sign for the festival.
- 4.) Bill KD4NSU brought up he will be absent Sept 17 to Oct 4th or so. Alternate Repeater NC(s) will need to be recruited. John will send out email soliciting volunteers.
- 5.) Items for the good of the club, training etc. in the itinerary.

VIII. Adjournment

Being no more questions or further discussion on the current and proposed activities a motion to adjourn was made by Bill, KD4NSU seconded by Chris, KO4FPO.

KE4KBM - President John Czerwinski adjourned the meeting at approximately 19:10 ET.

IX. Show and Tell Session

There was no formal show and tell.

-----**End of Minutes**-----



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Minutes Read by	The April Meeting Minutes were posted on the Group Page for Review, Reading not required.
Motion Called for Approval by	John, KE4KBM
Move to Accept by	Bud, ND8G
Seconded by	Karen, KO4MQA
Discussion	None
Vote to Accept	Unanimous
Entered into Record	18 May 2021



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American Legion KY Post 42 Radio Club Agenda
April 2021

Convene Meeting: (In-person Meeting) Introduce Self

Ask: Any Visitors?

Individual Introduces Self

Ask: Any New Member Candidates?

New Member candidate introduces self.

All New Member Candidates are sent out of room.

Any comments from existing members?

Vote on admission of New Member candidates.

Return New Member Candidates and give results of vote

Secretary's Report: George, n2gwk

Give secretary copy of amended Bylaws signed by Post Commander.

Minutes of last meeting (March 2021)

Treasurer's Report: Bud, nd8g

Fund's status

Increase in \$\$ in license testing account.

New Licenses or upgrades earned:

None Known

Old Business:

- Tabled Items:
 - o Status of Net List - Bill
 - o Club Officers (ke4kbn and nd8g) keys to Building. Conversation w/ building owner tabled no projected date.
 - o Fund raising – Planning target shifted until Spring 2021.
 - Need to shift planning target to Summer 2021.
- License Testing:
 - o Preparations begun for next testing session Saturday, 24 April 2021. Work flow is dynamic based on number of VEs on-hand.
 - o 24 April test session will be last until September of October. Planned weekend is 4th weekend of the month. A May test session would be the weekend before Memorial Day. Skipping June due to ARRL Field Day. Skipping July and August due to shortage of VEs (conflict with VE family vacation plans).
- Repeater Update: Shawn & Chandler
 - o Simplex Net – Shawn
 - o Repeater Net – Bill
- Red Cross:
 - o Red Cross has left Nelson County. John and Chris removed all radio club property from Red Cross offices in Civic Center.



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- EMA is to have shelters. Will contact EMA and advise them that the radios are available.
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- ARRL June Field Day

Any old business I overlooked?

New Business

Potential support to Bethelam High School HAM license class as part of their STAR Program. Current discussion with Principal limits HAM class to 6 students.

Club purchase:

Technician class books for each member of the class (\$35.00)
Exam cost for each student (\$15.00).
Total is \$50.00 per student at the present.
Total cost for 6 students is \$300.
Possible additional students.

Discussion w/Post to increase funds to provide a mobile radio to each student who successfully passes the Technician exam.

Any Other New Business?

Items for the good of the Club

Recommended training:

Online app: Ham Radio Exam - Technician by Roy Watson

Skywarn training: <https://www.weather.gov/skywarn/>

Online Spotter training program: [online_spotter_program](#)

FEMA courses

Course List: <https://training.fema.gov/is/crslist.aspx>

ARES needed FEMA courses:

IS-00100c, Introduction to the Incident Command System.

IS200, Basic Incident Command System for Initial Response.

IS-00700b, An Introduction to the National Incident Management System.

IS-0800d, National Response Framework, An Introduction.

ARRL courses

- [Course Descriptions:-](#)

Click on the name of the course below for more information, including a course description, pre-requisites, a syllabus with a list of topics, course requirements, and examples of course activities.



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- [EC-001: Introduction to Emergency Communication+](#)
- [EC-016: Public Service and Emergency Communications Management for Radio Amateurs+](#)
- [PR-101: Public Relations 101 for Radio Amateurs](#)

Accept Motion to close meeting.

Meeting closed at: