

Minutes of the Butte Radio Club Monthly Meeting

Date: October 4, 2025

Location: Butte Library

Time: 10:30 AM

In Attendance: Rodney Pewitt (N7TRG), Erik Bodenberger (KA7JMH), Tom Hoffman (KZ7T), Verne Brown (KK6DIO), Gene Bodenberger (N7ARO), James Burk (KG7OMB), Jack Hook (KK7DIO), Steve Shannon (AI7KS), and guest Vern Kiburn (KE5HXT).

Treasurer's Report: At the beginning of September the treasury held \$2283.50. The club received \$75 in dues from members, leaving a balance of \$2358.50 at the end of the month.

Motion to Approve Treasurer's Report:

Motion Made: Steve Shannon

Seconded: Erik Bodenberger

Vote

Aye: Unanimous

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Motion passed

Minutes of the Last Meeting:

Any Corrections?

None

Motion to Approve the Minutes of the Last Meeting with noted corrections

Motion Made: Steve Shannon

Seconded: Rodney Pewitt

Vote

Aye: Unanimous

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Motion Passed

Old Business

Outstanding Budget Items:

Unknown: Forest Service Fees

Unknown: Electrician for repeater site.

List of Items to be completed in 2025:

Apply for grants from NorthWestern Energy, Butte Community Foundation, Town Pump Foundation, etc.

Transfer of title for trailer – No title found. Steve will file for a lost title and change the registration.

Registered Agent

Because Cliff has not responded to our attempts to contact him, Steve will make a recommendation based on the list of Registered Agents listed with the Secretary of State for Montana. When we file our annual report with the Secretary of State we will make the change.

Replacement 2 Meter Repeater

James recommended the Hytera repeater HR-1062. Steve will look into pricing and report at Annie's breakfast.

New Business

Repeater Site Improvements

At breakfast on September 20th we voted on a motion made by James Burk and seconded by Jack Hook to approve funding for the RigRunner at \$549, plus shipping and incidentals plus a DTMF relay. The motion was approved by the nine members in attendance: Gene Bodenberger, Eric Bodenberger, Don Steinbach, Rodney Pewitt, Rick Duprey, Jack Hook, Steve Shannon, Jerry McDonald, and Verne Brown.

Other improvements James would like to make are:

- New repeater, (currently in the research stage – already budgeted)

- 19" rack shelf, (Steve provided one)
- Harbor Freight shelving unit, (James has a shelving unit he will donate.)
- Network router with Power over Ethernet (James will research).
- Next year James will work on improving the autopatch. Currently inbound works but outbound does not.

Any other business for the good of the order:

Motion to

Motion to have the Annual Meeting in conjunction with our regularly scheduled December meeting.

Motion Made: Erik Bodenberger

Seconded: Rodney Pewitt

Vote

Aye: Unanimous

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Motion passed

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion Made: Rodney Pewitt

Seconded: James Burk