

PCARC Meeting Minutes
January 9, 2025

Opening

A meeting of the Perry County Amateur Radio Club was held on this date at Duncannon EMS building. The meeting was called to order at 7:04pm by Matthew Morrison.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Reports

The treasurers report was read.

Old Business

EMA:

Matt met up with Wes Smith, the Deputy Director for the Perry County EOC, and had a look at the county's equipment. While testing some of it, he discovered that the system was not currently functional, likely due to water damage in the feedline. He also discovered that the antennas were showing some age and would likely be better off if replaced. The total estimated cost to replace feedline, VHF/UHF antennas, and install lightning arrestors is estimated between \$1,000 - \$1,500 - this does not include tax or shipping costs.

Wes also stated that the club could potentially use County grant writers to submit for funding to replace the equipment. Tom made a motion to make Sam the head of starting the process of obtaining a grant. JD seconded the motion. A vote was held and passed.

Test Sessions:

Matt reached out to Robin and set a date for the next test session. It will tentatively be held on the 15th of February at 9:00am. Matt will reach out to the Duncannon EMS Chief to see if the building is available that morning.

Spring Schedule:

Starting next month, meetings will be held on the Wednesday before the second Thursday of the month. This will last until May.

New Business

Bank Account:

Tom requested that the address for the bank account be changed to our treasurers address to simplify the delivery of bank statements and other pertinent information to the treasurer. JD agreed and stated he will be change the address at the bank this week.

ARES:

A new Groups.io page was made for those who are part of the ARES team. This will cut down on the ARES traffic in the main group for those who are not interested in ARES.

Sam made a motion to request all ARES team members submit availability by the February meeting for fingerprinting in March. Tom seconded the motion. A vote was held and passed.

Winter Activities:

Matt requested ideas for projects to complete over the winter months while it is too cold to operate outside. A suggestion was received to complete a project with toroid winding. Matt will investigate cost of materials for a possible project next meeting.

Open Discussion

No comments during open discussion

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by JD. Motion seconded by Tom.
Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm

Next Meeting

Wednesday, February 12th, 7:00 PM

Duncannon EMS Building

16 Shermanta Drive

Duncannon, PA 17020