December 2024

PROPAGATION

Newsletter of the Longview / East Texas Amateur Radio Club

LETARC Christmas 2024

LETARC meeting minutes

I. Opening Ceremonies
a. Call to order at 0925
b. Prayer and Pledge by Bert Sharp
c. Introductions
d. Welcome from Bert Sharp
II. Adoption of Agenda
a. Meeting agenda adopted.
III. Adoption of Minutes
a. Reading of minutes from the November 2024 meeting. No objections. Adopted.
b. Reading of finance report from November 2024. No objections. Adopted.
IV. Reports from Officers
a. President, Bert Sharp – No Report.
b. Vice President, Chris Crawford – If you have any programs that you would like to do for the club, please let Chris know.
c. Secretary/Treasurer, Rhett Pilcher – The property Tax bill is not due until January 31st. Rhett will begin taking dues for 2025 at this time. From now until the end of January 2025, dues are $30. After January, they go up to $35.
d. Media Director, Don Gamble – January 25 and 26 has been reserved for operating at Mims FD. Our January POTA will be at Caddo Lake Wildlife Refuge.
e. Communications Director, Jim Rogers – Jim has found the “Ham Radio for Dummies” books.

V. Reports of the Board
a. No report.
VI. Reports by Committees
a. Social Dinner Committee Recommendation, David Luchak – January 14th @ 6:30pm @ Cracker Barrel in Longview.
VII. Reports by Members
a. Mike KC0SM mentioned a buy one get one free deal going on at Bioenno Batteries.
b. Bert bought the new Chameleon vertical whip and will experimenting with it with DX operations.
VIII. Recess
IX. Reconvene
X. Program
a. Christmas Party at Butcher Shop in Longview
XI. Unfinished Business
a. None.
XII. New Business
a. None.
XIII. VE Testing headcount
a. There are enough VE's available for testing.
XIV. Adjourn – 0950
XV. Notes
a. There were 20 people in attendance.

Thank you Rhett KG5NWI

LETARC dinner @ Papacita's

Papacita's
MEXICAN RESTAURANT

Thank you to Dave KL7BX for organizing our dinners.

LETARC Christmas breakfast @ Butcher Shop

Thank you to

Mims volunteer fire department
The Longview fire training center on American Legion drive
Dave Luchak KL7BX LETARC dinner Chairman
Jim Perry KA5BCM for our radio room
John Zenter AE5OY and our VE team
Marty Duplissey N5KBP for his great work on the ARRL audio news
Steven Lott Smith KG5VK - ARRL North Texas Section Manager
Jo Ann Keith KA5AZK - ARES Section Manager
David Chenault W5CWT - Rusk County ARES
John Keith W5BWC - Upshur County ARES
Tom Noe W5TDN - Gregg County SKYWARN coordinator
Jim Rogers N5VGQ - Repeater trustee
Ron Case W2RLC - letarc.org webmaster
Jim Quinn AJ1MQ - groups.io coordinator
Dr. Hoo Kim AG5ZS - Letourneau university liaison
Our Wednesday night net control stations:
Jim Rogers N5VGQ
Dave Luchak KL7BX
Don Gamble KG5CMS
John Zenter AE5OY
Rhett Pilcher KG5NWI

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