

# Canton Amateur Radio Club

## Meeting Minutes of August 16, 2023

The meeting was called to order by club V-P Mike McAfee at 7:30 p.m. After the pledge of allegiance, introductions took place with 9 members in attendance.

**Treasurer's Report:** W8JKC Justin reported zero transactions during the month, as the balance held steady at \$1634. WD8AYE Dave motioned to accept the report, KA8MNT Tom seconded, and the motion passed.

**Secretary's Report:** W8VAD Joe's July report has two corrections: Marshalls was spelled Martials, and KF8UN Byron was at Seven Ranges, not Tuscazoar. Tom moved to accept the report as corrected, N8PW Bill seconded, and the motion passed.

**Correspondence:** N8PW Bill Hannon will teach a 6-week course for the General license. It begins Sept 14 and will run from 7-9 pm on Thursday nights in the sheriff's EOC room. The course is open to all hams, and the 10<sup>th</sup> edition license manual (\$33) is optional.

**Old Business:** W8ATM Diebold will be at the OSPOTA Sept 9 at Quail Hollow.  
Upcoming conference: Sept 26-30 in Henrietta, NY - [www.antiquewireless.org](http://www.antiquewireless.org)  
CARC clothing is still available. Order through KA8MNT Tom <[ka8mnt@hotmail.com](mailto:ka8mnt@hotmail.com)>

**New Business:** Bill proposed that the Wednesday CARC net should have a monitor. Justin suggested members take turns. K8ISS John is a regular and will give it a try; Tom will alternate. N8PW moved to pass the motion, N8VXQ Perry seconded; motion passed.

WD8AYE Dave visited the garage sale for SK Riggs. Some equipment was sold and some will be donated. His antenna is still up.

**Repeater status:** Dale received e-mail from Derek at the Canton Water Dept. Renovation on the Cromer Ave water reservoir is not anticipated to begin until December 2025, so we have at least until then to find a new site.

**Youth outreach:** The Boy Scouts' *Signs, Signals & Codes* merit badge will take place Oct 21 with a JOTA Jamboree-on-the-Air. <[tuscazoar.org/events/signsmb](http://tuscazoar.org/events/signsmb)>

**Open mic:** The annual HOF parade went well. Dave reported the number of hours worked by CARC. Our contribution was appreciated.

W8JKC Justin received a \$150K FEMA grant (Non-Profit Security Grant Program) for his church, including funds for APCO P25 compatible radios.

Tom reminded everyone that the county Ham picnic is Sept 23 at 1212 Summerdale Ave park (near 12<sup>th</sup> St). BYO dish. The Massillon club will supply hamburgers, hot dogs & tacos.

**Drawing:** N8YB Jerry was the lucky guy and donated \$10 to the Club.

K8ISS John moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:55; Bill seconded, and the motion passed.

The **Program** involved a discussion of using the Ham shack here with 24 hour access.