

07-10-2025

**Amateur Radio Club of Columbia County, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting #158**

The Board of Directors meeting was held at The Acorn Restaurant in Harlem, Ga.

Those present for the meeting were:

Rusty Welsh (KG4HIR), President
Shannon Welsh (KK4MED), Secretary
Dan Marshall (N4MI), Vice President
Bill Clark (WK4F), Treasurer
Steven Kitchings (KN4RVU), Board Member at Large
Mary Kate Kitchings (KN4UYQ), Member

Rusty Welsh (KG4HIR) called the meeting to order at 18:30

Agenda and actions:

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Approve BOD Meeting minutes for 05-08-2025
Motion: Bill Clark (WK4F) made a motion to accept the BOD meeting minutes and Shannon Welsh (KK4MED) seconded it. None were opposed.
3. **Determine next BOD Meeting Date, Time, and Location**
 - a) September 11th, 2025 at 18:30 at Poblano's in Evans Ga.
4. **Discussion of Review of:**
 - a) ARRL Special Services Club – Two Year (renewed 09-26-2023)
 - I. Need to maintain list of activities and achievements for 2025 renewal.
 - b) Treasurer
 - I. 2025 Raffle Permit from CCSO (Cher Purvis)
 - II. Columbia County Property Tax Exemption (Treasurer)
 - c) Fundraising Ideas (currently waiting on legal advice)
 - I. Tempest Weather Station
 - II. Dairy Queen
 - III. BridgeCom Affiliate
 - d) Repeater Committee Update
 - I. Belair Site Power Loss (Walter has made cables)
 1. COMPLETED- 146.985 On Power Gate – Need to install Power Gates
 2. S-Com Programming for Battery Operation
 - II. Pollards Corner Site Power Loss (Walter has made cables)
 1. Need to install Power Gates
 - III. Seeking Location to install 6-Meter Beacon
 - IV. Connection to Talkgroup Network will commence in the near future.
 1. Bridge requirements have been obtained and working to coordinate connection to TGIF network.

- a.) First Option fell through with no result.
 - b.) Currently working on establishing our own bridge to TGIF
 - i. More than 80 hours from at least 5 folks have been working to get his bridge operational, still inoperable.
- e.) Upcoming General Meeting Presentations
 - I. August 2025 – East Tennessee Response – Devon Harris
 - II. September 2025 – DPH Medical Reserve Corps- Ella Gardener
 - III. October 2025 – Geochron
 - IV. November 2025 – Hamclock – Dan Marshall
- f.) Upcoming Events / Workshops
 - I. CHIRP Programming Workshops
 - II.. Technician Course
 - 1. Vineyard Church of Augusta
 - a. In the process of getting instructors lined up with completed NDAs with Stu Turner
- g.) Clubhouse
 - I. Discussion of ARCCC, Inc. Clubhouse Vision
 - II. If a clubhouse is the in the best interest of the ARCCC, Inc., a detailed document needs to be developed that can be presented to the members to get their ideas on such an endeavor. This document should spell out the exact desires of the facility in full to include floorplan, expected finance requirements to maintain operation, how such a facility aligns with the mission stated in the ARCCC, Inc. Constitution and Bylaws, plans for use, expected plans to utilize in the best interest of the club, etc.
- h.) Review of Requirements of Board of Directors Meetings

5. Miscellaneous Items

- a) Taliaferro County Sister Club
- b) Club Logo Working Rules Assignment
- c) Club Quiz
- d) 10 Year Review in 2025
- e) Time-Out-Timer Campaign?

6. Any Additional Items

- a) Vice President
- b) Secretary
- c) Treasurer
- d) Board Member at Large
- e) Co-Directors
- f) Members
- g) Guests

7. Review Motions and Assignments

Motion: Dan Marshall (N4MI) made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Bill Clark (WK4F) seconded it. None were opposed.

8. The meeting was adjourned at 19:33.