

FARA October 2021 Club Meeting Minutes

FARA held its October meeting on 10/7/21 via Zoom. The president, John KB1VXY, chaired the meeting.

John welcomed everyone. He acknowledged the guests. Leandra MacLennan AF1R, the evening's main speaker. Robb Webb, Telecommunications Manager for MetroWest Medical Center. Tom Frenaye K1KI, candidate for ARRL New England Director and the evening's second speaker.

Robb Webb is exploring how ham radio may play a role in the emergency communication plans for the MetroWest Medical Center.

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer, Steve N1MH, gave the report. We have not yet received a response for our Public Charities filings to the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office. We have renewed our Magic Jack subscription for another year. Our donation check to Framingham Police Office Paul Patriarca has now been cashed.

Steve also extended an invitation to the club for a pizza party at his home on Saturday October 9 at noon. Steve sent the details to club members in an email after the meeting.

Secretary's Report

The secretary, Andy KC1DMM, gave the report. The minutes of the September Club Meeting are posted on the w1fy.org web site. We will file our non-profit corporation annual report to the Massachusetts Secretary of State in the middle of October.

Repeater and EchoLink Reports

No problems were reported.

New Business

Steve Babbitt KC1LPZ mentioned that other ham clubs are beginning to hold hybrid in-person/virtual meetings. He suggested that if the Police Station conference room continues to be unavailable then we should explore other options, including options at other municipal buildings. John said that he will get an update on the Police Station conference room availability.

Presentations

After the conclusion of the business meeting Leandra MacLennan gave a presentation about operating and successfully contesting VHF and HF as a mobile. She included some of her Parks on the Air experiences.

The second speaker, Tom Frenaye, talked about his candidacy for ARRL New England Director.

Future Meetings

Our next meeting will be on November 4. Michael Antoine K1UVH will give a presentation on the Great Hill Gang.

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List of Attendees

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Steve Moro	N1MH
Tom Frenaye	K1KI
Stephen Babbitt	KC1LPZ
Lew Nyman	K1AZE
Ron Rothman	WO1E
John Iwuc	KB1VXY
Victor Anderson	K1VEA
Leandra MacLennan	AF1R
Robb Webb	
Jeff Alper	WB9PZD
Sumner Weisman	W1VIV
Bob Bosaz	KC1OXG
Peter Morrison	AC1KY
Andy Boughton	KC1DMM
David Levenson	KB1VLS
Larry Griffin	KB1GMU
Bruce Rusch	W1HNZ
Adrian Zeffert	AB2IX
Bill Nicholson	N1WEN
Hector Cruz	KB3ZOO