



Ho Ho Ho

2024 Christmas ZOOM meeting Saturday 12/15 @6pm CST

Attended by:

Earl W9EJH and Bernie MRS9EJH---both kicked back in comfy chairs in Florida

Me WB9WKT-----green bay Packer santa hat

Chuck W5HRW ----- santa hat

Toni KI5YMU-----santa hat and K9DOG since it didn't have a date

Sandy KC9LZW

Tom KC9RIK -----sporting a Yooper Chook--the hat that saves your face

Linda KF5GEI

John KE5NDS

Dale N9XMU----Joined for a moment via the 145.47 machine--he was mobile

Meeting kinda called to order by Earl 6:10pm CST

Treasure Report \$948.97

I will cut Walt the next \$60 check this week.

Going forward we will no longer have motions and 2nded by. As long as no one says "NA" it means all in favor and let's move on. Earl came up with this.

-----OLD NEWS

1. Sandy is "thrilled", "Happy Camper" with her HF vertical antenna that Earl and Gary tuned up during field day. Sandy has it Connected and is working HF stations on 15M, 20M and 40M and maybe 80. Sandy says the antenna has issues on 10M but is not too worried. hmmm if 10M is screwed up I would think the rest of the vertical should be screwed up---hmmm

2. Thursday net control. December is filled up----January 2025 is wide open for anyone to give it a shot. Email Earl if you would like to be net control for a specific day. New years Resolution?

-----NEW NEWS

1. Earl talked to Walt about contacting N9UCP Wisconsin Repeater Association to get the 145.47 N9LIE repeater under WAR. WAR is starting to get rid of inactive repeaters and assigning new repeaters those Frequencies

2. Walt may soon have possible issues with trees. and the guy wires on his tower. Earl told Walt TCRA club members would be willing to help clear things.

3. Next year the club will look at using our bank account to get Christmas door prizes. We used to have a \$100 drawing to HRO----but stopped that in 2021. Maybe several gift cards?? We will discuss as the year goes on

4. Since we are doing more and more stuff with the Chippewa Radio club (and several of us are also members of that club) maybe we can use some of our bank account to help them out??? Hamfest??? winter/summer field day? We will work with Chip and see what we can do.

5. Chuck did a Software presentation on his van project---the van he is going to use to come to Wisconsin---hmmmmmmmmmm.

6. DUES. You can mail your dues to WB9WKT. We currently have 8 members signed up for 2025 (one is a family membership). Our club expenses are very minimal so we only need 6 paid members to cover our costs each year. But if we decide to do a Christmas gift and help the Chippewa Club we will need more members. If we do a picnic---that would be our other expense. 2024 we had our biggest club roster in a LONG LONG time---since 2007. 18 members.

7. Saved for last-----the election of club officers. This is the part of the meeting that Bernie got up out of her chair and left the room. Smart move. Hot Springs people said it would be tough for them to be officers----Another smart move. So here are your (drum roll) new officers for 2025 (chances are if you were NOT at the meeting you probably got elected---just kidding)

President	EARL	W9EJH
Vice President	SANDY*	KC9LZW
Secretary	ME	WB9WKT
Treasure	ME	WB9WKT
Jr Treasure	GARY	KD9CIT (also called vice treasure)
Web-page	Paul	KB9TYC (thanks Paul)

(* denotes New person volunteered)

Sandy's first action as the NEW VP----nominate CHIP for all the officer positions. No need to second the motion because no one said "NAY"--OH remember the new club motion rule.

Think about topics you would like to see discussed at our ZOOM winter meetings. NanoVNA is a great topic. What else? If any of you wants to do a topic---AWESOME. I can do pskreporter---a cool way to check where your HF signal is being heard.

Meeting adjourned 8pm 2 hour zoom meeting----NICE.

What did I miss???? I got windy again---sorry about that. I should be fishing instead of watching football and doing these minutes.

-----**NOTES**

It was a great 2024 for our little club. Earl did a fantastic job keeping us together--thank you sir.

We missed you Matt at the Christmas ZOOM. We hope you can make meetings.

God Bless you and your families this Holiday season.

Happy New Year

Merry Christmas one and all.

Rod

WB9WKT

TCRA treasure and secretary

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