

ERARC MEETING

October 6, 2025 |

PRELIMINARIES

Meeting began at 7:00 pm. Eleven people in attendance and no guests on Zoom.

David Lester, N8VFR, welcomed the group. The pledge to the flag was recited by the group.

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

The September meeting minutes were read by David Sexton and accepted by the group. Items included possible Fusion Wires-X presentation and a Greenbank Radiotelescope operation presentation to be held in the future. The recoordination of the 147.06 Windmill Gap repeater to the Appalachian Repeater Association as KD8XK and the 145.25 East River Mountain repeater to the ERARC as W8MOP is still pending. David encouraged the group to participate in club POTA events. The Fall VHF Contest took place on Saturday September 13th. Also, David talked about continued interest in the Meshtastic mode of messaging.

TREASURER REPORT

Jay Belt, K8CTI, furnished and read a treasurer's report dated October 6, 2025. Total credits and debits were \$0.00. We are accepting dues for the coming year at \$15/amateur with \$5 per family members. The PayPal link is listed on the website: www.HamclubOnline.com.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business was discussed tonight. See New Business below.

NEW BUSINESS

Jeff, KE8RAW, mentioned a Wires-X presentation by W0SUN of the Atlanta Radio Club could be viewed on the You Tube channel. <https://youtu.be/SQQ0ZHfxhOo>

The new Buckmaster OCF dipole antenna will be installed soon at the Mercer County 911 Center. Jay, K8CTI, has asked for help to install the new dipole. Matt, KC8LGS, spoke about the Prepper Expo at the State Fairgrounds site on October 3rd and 4th. The show presenters were friendly and knowledgeable covering many topics. Matt has asked the group for help installing a Mosley HF

beam and Hazer at his home. David spoke about his latest Meshtastic experiences. He has seen traffic from Lewisburg to Richlands on his Heltec radios. Jay said the remote base unit is on the workbench and will be soon installed to link the 145.49 repeater to the 145.25 repeater as needed. Further discussion for a possible Wires-X node setup for the 145.20 Fusion repeater continued. A Yaesu HRI-200 interface unit and possibly an optional card for the Yaesu controller might connect to the internet to access Wires-X rooms or reflectors temporarily. This discussion will continue as information becomes available.

A MOTION WAS MADE AND SECONDED TO ADJOURN AT 8:00PM