



Pine Valley Repeater, LTD-W9PVR

MINUTES

The W9PVR monthly meeting was held at the Galaxie Skate Center in Richland Center, on Monday, February 10, 2025.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice-President, Phil Wallace.

The following members attended the meeting in person: Earl Streeter (KD9YCQ), Linda Kaufman (KC9HHF), Phil Wallace (KC9QQQ), Jeff Williams (N7TTQ), Ralph Hendrickson (KC9LBO), Jake Barbieur (N9DMT), Casey Marshall, Ray Gill (WX4RAY), Bob Walsh (KD9WWD), and Laurence Stephen (KD9UFQ).

Member on ZOOM: Les Hyland (KA9USV)

Visitor: Richard McLaughlin (KC9JTB) – in person

Visitor: Zachary Barbieur (KF0SHY) - ZOOM

We are pleased to WELCOME Richard McLaughlin (KC9JTB) as a new Club member tonight! Richard was a member some years ago, so he is not new to the amateur radio world.

The Minutes of the 01/13/2025 meeting were approved as printed on motion of Ralph Hendrickson, seconded by Laurence Stephen. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Ralph Hendrickson. He reported that the Club account has a balance of \$4,137.99.

The Net Control Operators for March are as follows:

March 2-Jeff Williams; March 9-Jake Barbieur; March 16-Phil Wallace; March 23-Ralph Hendrickson; March 30-Laurence Stephen.

We would like to CONGRATULATE Earl Streeter on upgrading his license to an Extra Class radio operator recently!

2025 Club membership was discussed--27 of the 28 members from last year renewed their memberships for 2025. Dan Brewer (KC9HHG) was the only person who did not respond.

Discussion Items:

The W9PVR license (expiration of March 2, 2025) has now been renewed thanks to Ralph and Phil.

Jake Barbieur is using his home as a temporary site for Echo/Allstar. Phil Wallace is going to again contact WRCO/Civic Media to set up a meeting to discuss the tower.

Chris Kanable (KC9CMD) was working and not able to attend the Club meeting, but he asked for the Club members to discuss the Field Day Event (June 28-29, 2025). Joe Mayenschein (WB9SBD) sent an e-mail to the Club Secretary detailing what information will be necessary from anyone wanting to participate in the joint Field

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Day Event (mode, antenna, shelter, etc.). Joe's contact e-mail address is nss@mwt.net if anyone wants to participate in the event. He said that it is important to do this as soon as possible, so that the coordination of where each station will be located can be completed.

Joe Mayenschein (WB9SBD) is also trying to do another balloon launch in the future. He is still looking for a building with a very high door for the balloon. Anyone interested in helping Joe with his project in the future can certainly e-mail him for more details.

Open Discussion:

Ralph Hendrickson mentioned the Wisconsin QSO party will occur on March 9, 2025, from 1-8 p.m. It is being hosted by the West Allis Radio Amateur Club. More information is available on their Club's website.

Ray Gill mentioned about a new Kenwood radio to be released this year, which was announced at Hamcation at the recent Orlando, Florida event. The new radio (TM-D750A) will be a tri-band radio for 2-meter, 440 and 220. It will incorporate D-Star and APRS capabilities into one radio with built-in wi-fi.

Ray Gill asked about getting a Webmaster Assistant for him due to his regular job taking much of his time. Jake Barbieur volunteered to be his Assistant. A motion was made by Ralph Hendrickson and seconded by Jeff Williams to approve Jake as Ray's Assistant. Motion carried.

Mention was made of some upcoming ham radio swapfests as follows:

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| 02/16/2025 | Jefferson, WI |
| 03/01/2025 | Onalaska, WI |
| 03/16/2025 | Fort Atkinson, WI |
| 04/26/2025 | Cedarburg, WI |
| 04/26/2025 | Madison, WI |

Jake Barbieur gave a presentation about the Allstar Link and the Echo Link. He is willing to share any of the information with Club members.

Here's the link to the presentation

slides: https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1cYU5moKW_wj8JZ75bkyBbM6WExQNNGR212T6w2ZKWSU/edit?usp=drive_link.

Motion to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. was made by Ray Gill, seconded by Jeff Williams. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Kaufman

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