

Beaver State Chapter 108 of the QCWA
Meeting Minutes
April 10, 2025

On April 10th, 2025 an in-person meeting was held at Westside Pacific Restaurant & Saloon in Rickreall OR. In attendance were David Hackleman W7QH, Armand Pilotte W7IG, Millie Pilotte W7MIP, Steve Stapleton W7IK, Keith Price N7SLN, Dee Lynch K7JRB, Chuck Austin W7LBV, Doug Austin, and Mike Hurley KG7BF.

The informal part of the meeting started with folks arriving at 11:30. After lunch was served at 12:00 we began the formal part of the meeting with David W7QH welcoming everyone. Topics of discussion began with learning a bit about each other, in particular locations many of us spent our childhood. Towns throughout Oregon and as far away as the Berkshires were mentioned

Next, Secretary/Treasurer Mike Hurley KG7BF gave a treasury report indicating there was \$1641.30 in the treasury. Mike also talked about some areas in the Articles of Association that perhaps should be updated. Article III, dues, states only one member per family need pay chapter dues. Article VII addresses holding quarterly meetings the 3rd Saturday of January, April, July, and October. Also, the Bylaws state chapter dues shall be \$5.00 per year. This discussion will be considered a reading per the Bylaws and Mike asked all members to review the Articles so we can discuss and vote on amending them at our next in person meeting.

Dee then spoke about measurement of the noise floor at our remote station that is currently underway. David W7QH identified that as an adjacent landowner he will be submitting comments regarding a proposed expansion of an operation on an adjacent landowners property to our remote station site.

We also discussed the opportunity to pass some of the equipment , primarily antennas and towers that we have amassed to other hams.

David, Dee and Keith are all planning to be at SEA-PAC the first weekend in June and David has offered space on swap tables he has reserved for equipment from any other members. Armond indicated that he has some HF antennas that he'd like to offer to others and with the StepIR beam already in our possession from past president Dave Martin (SK, W6KOW). Steve suggested we bring images of these antennas to SEA-PAC to offer them to others for pick-up if they elect to acquire them.

Keith talked about the control app in use at the remote site, which connects via the adafruit website. The service includes a fee which he has been paying, but our club believes we should assume to relieve him of that burden.

Next meeting TBD in the fall.

Meeting concluded at approximately 1330.

Submitted by:

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