



**USS Batfish & USS Oklahoma Amateur Radio Club  
Meeting Location: Muskogee War Memorial Park  
Meeting Minutes February 04, 2023**

**Officers:**

President - Mike Manring, AE5QL

Vice-President - Earl Stutzman, KG5EWK

Treasurer - Gary Burch, W5ODS

Secretary - John Martin, W5EJK

Trustee - Wade Harris, WA5DE

The February 4th, 2023 Batfish & Oklahoma Amateur Radio Club meeting was a combination of in-person and Zoom. Total attendance was 12, consisting of 6 in-person and 6 Zoom. The requirements for a quorum were NOT met. Gary Burch called the meeting to order at 10:32 local time.

Minutes of the January 7th, 2023 minutes were read. A number of errors in the minutes were caught by Jim Erb; corrections will be made.

The Treasurer reported that the Club has a Cash-On-Hand balance of \$2,891.17.

**Old Business:**

- 1) Wade Harris gave a thorough winter field day report, including some analytics.
- 2) The Club's [ussbatfisharc.com](http://ussbatfisharc.com) website was discussed. Michelle Carey asked members to review the site and recommend changes, improvements, etc. The need for a mission statement was mentioned, a "sliding pictures" issue was discussed, training for website maintenance including Elementor will be scheduled. Information is needed for a number of subjects, including the USS Oklahoma BB-37 mast currently at the War Memorial Park, a long range Club calendar, and our Club's history from the early days - it was suggested that Sam Whitley, Royce Rainwater, John Lathrop, Dan Woods, and Ron Lancaster might be good information sources for the early Club history. A problem with the current website hosting company will be looked into.
- 3) Virginia Smith, Michelle, and Wade reported on different aspects of the Eyeball QSL cards.
- 4) The Green Country Hamfest 2023, scheduled for April 7th and 8th, was discussed.

**New Business:**

- 1) The Club's "Orange Fence" project was discussed. It was agreed that no action would be taken until we have better weather conditions.
- 2) The outdoor speaker system at the Museum entrance does not work. It is not clear how access to the speaker wiring can be achieved, but that will be looked at after the meeting today.
- 3) Kevin Wade described the ARRL Volunteers On The Air program, and thought it would be an interesting activity for the Club. Virginia also thought it would be a beneficial activity.

The next Club meeting is scheduled for March 4th, 2023.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:42.

John Martin, Secretary