



**Plano Amateur Radio Klub
General Meeting Minutes
September 18, 2023**

Start time: 7:02 pm

Location: First United Methodist Church Plano

Facilitator: Tim Johnson – K5TCJ
President

Board 6 of 9 (for quorum)

Members 13

Guest 6

Meeting Agenda

Call to Order/Welcome

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Officers Reports

Old Business

New Business

Break

Raffle

Program Presentation

Adjournment

Pledge – led by Tim Johnson – K5TCJ

Roll Call –



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Each person present gave their name and call-sign

Vice-President – Anthony Burokas – KB3DVS

Not in Attendance

Report given by Tim Johnson – K5TCJ

September – member show and tell

- 1 gadget you love
- 1 tool that made a difference
- 1 process makes things easier
- 1 activity you want to tell others about

October – PARK Repeater Overview

- What is in place
- What can it do
- How can we get involved

November – DMR

- What is DMR
- Where can I use DMR
- What makes it different than D-Star/ Wires/ etc.
- How do I get started

Email – vp@k5prk.net



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December – dinner

White elephant

Winners of the k5prk/50-member activation contest

Secretary's Report – Johnnie Young – KG5CQO

August 2023 General Meeting Minutes

Available in groups.io in the file section under 2023's secretary minutes,

General meeting minutes, and then by date

Available on the PARK website

Included in the newsletter

Folder on the sign-in table has a paper copy you may view.

Any questions?

Welcome to new members for August 2023

New ham and new member

Ronald Vaughn – KJ5CEM

New members

Lynn Hudson – KG5QVE

David Williamson – KJ5AOA



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PARK now has 105 members

58 are members of ARRL = 55%

August Certificate Winner

Shawn Prestridge – KI5PXG

Congratulations to Shawn

Treasurer's Report – Michael Tharp – KG5TJF

Balance with expenditures and deposits reviewed and explained the bank account and the monthly debits/credits and reminded the membership of monies needed to complete previous approved projects and monies needed to run the club annually.

Communications Director's Report – Dick Thiot – N5FCB

Not in attendance

Working on issues

Newsletter Editor's Report – Neil Gould – NE5IL

Newsletter was posted to groups.io

You should get notified if

You are registered on the web

You are a member of groups.io

Any items for the newsletter please send to the newsletter editor

Solar eclipse on October 14th – 80%



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WebMaster's Report – James McCormick – KG5KBP

Not in attendance

Working on new website

Public Relations Director's Report – Dan Daniels – W5KKQ

Not in attendance

Nothing to report

Activities Director's Report – Richard Seitz – KG5HCJ

Recurring Events

Monthly PARK Meetings

Board of Directors Zoom Meeting – 1st Monday 7:00 PM

General Meeting – 3rd Monday 7:00 PM

WinLink

Every Other Wednesday

Go to www.collinares.net for link and details

Collin ARES Training Nets

Typically holds training nets twice per month

You need not be a member to check-in.

Nets begin at 2100 local and last 20 minutes to an hour



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1st Sunday PARK Repeater (K5PRK) 147.180 (+) 107.2

3rd Sunday MARC Repeater (W5MRC) 146.740 (-) 110.9

Go to www.collinares.net for detailed information

Weekly Fox Hunts

Freddy the Fox (McKinney ARC)

Found in McKinney from 0900 Sat thru 1900 Sun

Tx on 434.500 MHz with a 3-minute cycle.

Scan QR Code once found and fill out form

Facebook Page:

<https://www.facebook.com/Freddy-The-Fox-109578464255677>

Fox #1 (Richardson WK)

Found in Richardson every weekend

TX on 144.500 MHz on a 3-minute cycle

RWL Website: www.K5RWK.org/foxhunt/

Wheatly (Richardson WK)

Found in Richardson every weekend

TX on 433.250 MHz with a 3-minute cycle.



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Scan QR Code once found and fill out form

Wheatley's Website:

<https://sites.google.com/view/Wheatley-website/home>

Will be hidden in Plano about once every other month

When hidden in Plano, will be sponsored by PARK

Finders will be in a drawing for a \$25 HRO Certificate

Be sure to check out where Wheatley will be hiding by visiting
the website link above

Plano Balloon Festival

September 21st to 24th

Location: Oak Point Park/Red Tail Pavilion

Communications Support for Balloon Launches and Chase

VNA Dallas Meals on Wheels 2023

Thanksgiving Day – November 23rd

Christmas Day – December 25th

Location – 1440 W Mockingbird Lane; Dallas 75247

Arrive by 7:30 am and leave by 10:30 am



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Partial Solar Eclipse – Saturday, October 14th

75 – 80 % obscuration

Begins at 10:23 am

Max at 11:52 2m

Ends 1:29 am

There will be a total eclipse on April 8th, 2024

Observation glasses are available

PARK sponsored Technician License Class and test

When – November 11th and 12th

Location – Lucas Fire Station Training room

Time – 0800 – 1700

The PARK VE team will conduct testing Sunday afternoon

For more information contact

William Ingram N5WOI

Stargazer111@tx.rr.com

VE Testing Results – Daryl Morgeson – AF5QJ

Not in attendance

No testing this week



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Old Business

50th Anniversary Jubilee – Anthony Burokas – KB5DVS

Not in attendance

Report given by Tim Johnson – K5TCJ

50th Merchandise

See the website for info and purchase links!

Badges, Shirts, and More!

Member Activation Member Contest shows who is on and what frequency,
number of contacts per mode, and who is leading per mode

It also shows how members can sign up and participate

A newly added page shows locations of visitors via K5PRK QRZ page

Badges, Shirts, and More!

New Business;

Elections are next month

In odd numbered years 2023 the following positions are open

President – limit is two terms consecutively
current president will run for another term

Treasurer – limit is two terms consecutively
current treasurer will run for another term

Activities Director – no term limits
current activities director will run for another term

Newsletter Editor – no term limits
current newsletter editor will run for another term

Any member in good standing may run for one of these positions



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Special Election next month

Secretary – stepping down mid-term
one year left in 2nd term
limit is two consecutive terms

Public Relations Director – stepping down mid-term
no term limits –
one year left in this term

Any member in good standing may run to fill the unexpired terms of these positions.

This election will occur in October along with the General Election for odd years.

Nominations will now be taken for each position on the ballot for next month

These positions are for two years

President – Tim Johnson – K5TCJ Treasurer – Michael Tharp – KG5TJF
Activities director – Richard Seitz – KG5HCJ Newsletter Editor – Neil Gould – NE5IL

Nominations not received tonight may be sent via email no later than 4pm on Monday October 2nd

Nominations may be sent to president@k5prk.net or secretary@k5prk.net

Voting will take place during the October meeting on October 16th

As per the PARK By-Laws

Only members present, or those who have submitted a valid written proxy prior to the meeting at which the vote is taken, shall be permitted to vote

Proxy voting

A proxy ballot will be printed in the October newsletter and will be sent via main groups.io and via HamClubonLine no sooner than Tuesday, October 3rd and no later than Friday, October 6th.



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All proxies must be dated and signed and must be a copy of the proxy provided because it will contain important information for this specific meeting

Emailed proxies must be sent to the secretary and received no later than 4pm on Monday, October 16th or

Proxies may be delivered by a member attending the meeting following the same guidelines as above

No attending member may cast more than two proxies

All proxy votes must be in the hands of the secretary before the meeting is called to order

Break: 7:35 pm to 7:47 pm

50/50 drawing

Richard Seitz – KG5HCJ won \$8

Tonight's Program – Member Show and Tell

Larry Pollis – KI5UXC

Demonstrated his label maker for cables

Mike Blew – KD5TZA

Demonstrated the use of flags for the Plano Balloon Fest

Sam Parson – W9VPU

Explain the constructing of his 'Go-Kit'

Thanks to all three for taking their time and energy to share their ideas



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Motion to adjourn – Nell Bartels – KA5PHN

2nd – Larry Pollis – KI5UXC

Adjournment – 8:15 pm

Thank you for attending

See you on the air.

K5PRK/R 147.180 + (PL 107.2)

K5PRK/R 444.250 + (PL 79.7)

And on

WWW.K5PRK.NET

K5PRK on Groups. io

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