



Baldwin County Amateur Radio Club (N4MZ)

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Minutes of the Regular Monthly Club Meeting was held OCTOBER 16, 2025. The meeting was called to order at 18:00 hours CDT by President Greg Powers, N4RAI. There were thirty-three members and two guests present. There was a quorum.

Meeting Opened with reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Welcome Members & Visitors - Greg Powers, N4RAI

Secretary's Report – Pattilynne Miller, KM4ZGB

Pattilynne reported minutes posted on website and received no correspondence received this month.

Report of Treasurer – Tom Wallace, KN4DND reported treasury activity during month of September and balances as of 09/30/2025.

Report from VE Team Leaders - Joel Emmett, W2BJN & Ron Thomas, N4RT

Ron reported testing will be October 18th at 9:30am at Westminster Village Bayside Clubhouse all seats full.

Joel reported the last testing session for this year will be November 1st at 9:00am at Daphne Library. There are seats available for this session.

Winlink Activity - John Acton, K7ACT,

John reported that information about Winlink is posted on the club website: N4MZ.com. We have thirty participants each week out of the sixty registered. We added a new participant this month.

Repeater and Trustee Report - Chuck Pharis, WA4USA & Joel Emmett, W2BJN

Chuck reported that group met with EOC personnel to share equipment needs recommendations. C/S is trying to get EMA/911 to let us move our repeaters and equipment inside the building across the street. Joel reported that he and Ron completed tuning on the Weeks Bay repeater.

Joel reported that he and Ron, N4RT, recently aligned duplexer cavities at the N4MZ-Weeks Bay repeater site. Initial feedback indicates improved repeater coverage. If there are questions or concerns, please let Joel know.

ARES Report – Ken Bell, K4EES & John Action, K7ACT

John Acton, K7ACT gave training for members on the DYFI form (did you feel it) in Winlink) as an earthquake SET that he just participated in this month.

Ken met earlier today with the EOC leaders to plan the Alabama SET for October 24-25.

Representatives of EOC are to participate with us on Friday 24th: Members will meet at 9:00am at EOC to get our instructions, scenarios and use EMA equipment and then disperse to assigned stations. We will report to Net Operator



multiple ways during each stop. Jared Budlong, KQ4UAQ demonstrated how to assemble the EMA equipment and antenna from the EMA ToGo box.

BCARC will participate alone on Saturday the 25th.: Members will be assigned a route that includes multiple stops and contact net control using the members own equipment. Begin at 8:00am from your home and try to reach EOC by 1pm for hot wash session.

Nominating Committee Report - Joe McIntosh, K4JOM & Mike Pape, KR4DSL

Joe presented slate of officers for 2026 which will be voted on at November meeting, as follows:

President: Jared Budlong-KQ4UAQ; Vice President-Richard Tellman, KQ4LTM.

Secretary-Pattilynne Miller-Skeelee, KM4ZGB; Treasurer-Tom Wallace, KN4DND.

Trustees: Joel Emmett, W2BJN; Ken Bell, K4EES; & Emery Wooten, KC5LIO.

Coming Events – Greg Powers, N4RAI

Deep South Hamfest this coming Saturday.

ARRL elections for Southeast Representative are coming up and ballots are due by noon on November 21st.

Christmas party on December 18th at Wolf Bay Lodge at 6:00pm (1800 hrs.), dinner at 6:30 and \$30 dollars per person. Members are urged to pay soon via check or PayPal with comment line for Christmas.

ARRL SET will be October 24 & 25th and begin at 9:00am each day.

Foley Tailgater Saturday, November 1st (8am-12n) have coffee with Elvis and Donut

POTA/Foxhunt planned November 22nd at Blakely State Park.

Good of the Club – Greg Powers, N4RAI

ARRL needs help with letter writing campaign to get laws passed to help those living in HOA communities to have antennas. Link is on Club webpage and only takes few minutes to enter your callsign and address then a letter is automatically created and will be hand delivered to senators and representatives. Please do this ASAP

There is a DMR Talkabout after the ARES net Check-ins on Thursdays at 8:00pm on the Gulf Coast 31011 DMR repeater.

Evening Program –Richard Tellman, KQ4LTM Video

Richard showed a video on building a Yagi antenna from tape measure in one hour and less than \$10.00. written directions and video link can be found at: <https://gethub.com/rkt50/antenna>

The meeting adjourned at 19:15 pm CDT Submitted,
Pattilynne Miller, KM4ZGB, Secretary.