



Baldwin County Amateur Radio Club (N4MZ)

PO Box 491

Robertsdale, AL 36567

Minutes of the Regular Monthly Club Meeting was held AUGUST 21, 2025. The meeting was called to order at 18:00 hours CDT by President Greg Powers, N4RAI. There were thirty-five members and zero 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.

Report of Treasurer – Tom Wallace, KN4DND reported treasury activity during month of July and balances as of 07/31/2025. Since Tom has secured an online way to pay for membership through PayPal; Members are successfully using this method.

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

Ron reported testing at the Westminster Village Clubhouse in Spanish Fort on August 9th yielded two new YOUTH Technicians. Next testing session will be August 23rd at 9:30am at Westminster Village.

Joel reported the next testing session will be September 13th at 9:00am at Daphne Library, due to Labor Day holiday on first weekend...

Winlink Activity - John Acton, K7ACT,

John reported that information about Winlink is posted on the club website: N4MZ.com.

ARES Report – Ken Bell, K4EES

Group members established workbooks and individuals plan to do online education on BASIC EMCOMM this month and meet at 5:30pm to turn in certificates of completion. Representatives of EOC to meet with group when scheduled. Alabama ARES SET planned for 25th & 26th of October.

New Business – Greg Powers, N4RAI

Greg shared the passing of Ken Kanne's daughter. Prayers for family

Chuck Pharis, WA4USA & Ron Thomas, N4RT reported on the EMA repeater situation. Club recognition & appreciation to Ron for benchwork to get repeater functioning when manufacturer does not exist and there are no parts available. System must be replaced. Ron gave suggestions after consulting with other experts. Equipment in neighborhood of \$17,000 dollars to upgrade WB4EMA repeater to new equipment. EOC may have funds in this year's budget but certainly needs to be budgeted for next year. Greg has had preliminary discussions with EOC.

Christmas party discussion. Venue at Wolf Bay Lodge agreeable to all. Greg will make reservations.



Coming Events – Greg Powers, N4RAI

Multiple Sclerosis Bike the Beach 150 September 27th and 28th. Sign-up sheet available tonight, Ken, K4EES coordinating.

Foley Tailgater set for Saturday November 1st 8:00AM to 12 Noon at Foley United Methodist Church on North Pine Street. Will have Simplex call in on 146.490.

Good of the Club – Greg Powers, N4RAI

There will be a DMR Talkabout after the ARES net Check-ins on Thursdays on the Gulf Coast 31011 DMR repeater.

Evening Program – Richard Tellman, KQ4LTM Video “Antenna Tuning & Math for 5-watt, 2-meter HT radio.”

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