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BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

February 5, 2026

Meeting called to order at 7:05 PM by Club President Richard Netinho, AC1JG.

There were 19 members present at the club, 5 online via zoom.

Officers Present: President	Richard Netinho, AC1JG
Vice President	Joe Barros, K1EZ
Treasurer	Mike McDonald, KB1NB
Secretary	Walt Schneider, N1ZE

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The secretary report was read and posted on the bulletin board. A motion was made and seconded to accept as read and voted unanimously in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer report was read and accepted:

Cash Flow: \$20. Tower lease \$33,932.00. It was noted that this payment was down by approx. \$11,000 dollars. The club is still working on this with the attorney.

Expenses. Property 4348.47.

Total Funds \$233,004.00, plus 12k in Blue sky account.

A motion was made and the club voted in favor of sending the treasures report to audit.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Buildings & Grounds

Marty KA1YFV is continuing as the chairman of the building and grounds with Manny Estela KC1VMI on the committee.

Nothing to report

? **Scholarship**

Paul Fredette, K1YBE, chair for the scholarship committee

Art DeMello, volunteered to be a Committee Member.

List of schools, letter found and redone, with a change to the date to be march 1 and to cut the essay down from 600 words down to 300 words.

Amount needed to be changed due to it being out of date which may be a contributor to no on applying. Might do more than more than 1 application, then give them 1000. It was discussed about considering need. This concept was rejected.

A motion made to make changes to the scholarship. passed and approved.

? **Technical**

Technical committed chairman. Rick Cabral, W1RJC,
Technical Committee Members.

Jed Barton N1JBC

Joe Barros, K1EZ

Paul Fredette, K1YBE

Ben Jackson, N1WBV

Rick Netinho, AC1JG

Walt Schneider, N1ZE

Rick Cabral, W1RJC, WiFi issues two ubiquity devices added. Changed the network to two different networks.

Repeaters: Kenwood transmitter had issues. Swapped it. Echo link off line. Kenwood repeater had 22 milli-watts output. Swapped over to bare bones basic repeater mode. Kenwood is off to be repaired. Flat rate. \$350. to repair.

A motion made and seconded to cover the repair up to \$1000.00.

It was discussed that one of the main concerns for the antennas on the large tower is the osprey issue, and there is limited time with no osprey to install the antennas.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

? **ARES, RACES, SKYWARN**

Ed Caron, KA1RSY, Nothing to report.

There is a RACES drill on the first Monday of each month at 1930 hours.

It was noted that there were 1200 sky warn reports.. Ct, RI Ma, During last snow storm.

• **QSL Manager**

Joe Barros reported on the new qsl card and it was sent off to company for 1000 cards.

? **Radio Events**

Winter field day on 24/25 Jan 2026. 120 contacts. Joe, K1EZ and Walt, N1ZE operated. Computer issues at the start. Finished at 5:00 pm. The team had pizza and a space heater was used due to the cold.

WEB

Mike Ponte, W1BZJ, said Web site is working fine.

1. Saturday VE session Canceled.
2. CPR class has been canceled.

COMMUNICATIONS

None to report

RATIFICATION of NEW MEMBERS

No New applications

A motion was made, seconded and voted in favor to accept W1AMN Adam Nawoichik for full life membership.

OLD BUSINESS

Marcel discussed the snow issue, blue sky redid snow plowing. It will be done by G. Borne Knowles.

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2. CPR class has been canceled.

Working win-link on the ICOM 7300 station and if anyone wants to use it see Paul K1YBE. Paul is continuing to get the Vera modem working.

NEW BUSINESS

Plaque on wall needs to be updated. It was noted that this was being taken care of.

A discussion was had concerning the HVAC units may not be working 100%. Might need service. Recently serviced in the fall. They don't work well at very low temps. Units were put in in April 2018.

FOR THE GOOD of THE CLUB

Nothing to report

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 8:27 PM was seconded and voted unanimously in favor

CLUB MEETING SIGN IN SHEET

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MEMBERS

	CALL	NAME
1	AC1JG	Richard Netto
2	N1JXC	Joseph KRISNOSKY
3	AC1QC	JOHN VIBBER
4	N1ZE	WALT SCHNEIDER
5	KC1NFL	Doug Belcher
6	KAIWBF	MARC JODIN
7	W1EAV	Chris Washburn
8	KE1CN	Scott Smith
9	W1RJG	RICHARD J CABRAL
10	KC1VME	Manuel Estrella
11	W1BSN	BARRY NOBI
12	KC1EBO	Richard Triselle
13	N1AVA	Ken Howland
14	KB1NB	MICHAEL J McDONALD
15	W1GEX	LARRY FERREIRA
16	WB1FBP	Scott Jensen
17	N1HCW	ROBERT METZGER
18	KAIYR	Mark Landin
19	W1WLD	Mark Landin
20	N1WLD	Eric Pence
21	KC1VYK	Larry Harrylik
22	K1YBE	PAUL FRODETTE
23	KC1YDY	Ernie Spang
24	W1UH	Arthur DeMello
25	AG1Y	JP CHIRON

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26	K1EZ	JOSEPH BARROS
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GUESTS

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