

TLARC Meeting Minutes

March 18, 2026

President John Kiley, KB4TV, called the meeting to order at 19:00 EST. The meeting was held at the Tellico Village Volunteer Fire Department's Training Room.

The Pledge of Allegiance was proclaimed by all present.

***** **BUSINESS SESSION** *****

Roll call was made. There were 27 TLARC members present and 1 guest. We had no new members.

- MINUTES OF LAST MONTH'S MEETING—

The Minutes of the February 18, 2026 meeting were accepted without corrections:

1st Motion to accept was made by Sam Howard, KQ4CDC. 2nd by Mike Wagner, KK6OKU.

- SUNSHINE REPORT—

- Robert Howard, brother of Sam Howard, KQ4CDC, is recovering from surgery.

- OFFICER REPORTS —

- President, John Kiley, KB4TV:

- John welcomed all to the meeting.

- Vice President, Sam Howard, KQ4CDC:

- Sam welcomed all.
- Next month's presentation will be by Mike McMillan, KD9DCW, entitled Report Access via FT8.
- Sam mentioned that Field Day is coming up on the weekend of June 27-28. The Club would like to hold the event at the Fire Station again, just like last year. Antenna setup would start on Friday, June 26th. Then operate for 24 hours on Saturday, June 27, stay overnight, and complete the event on Sunday, June 28. Equipment tear down would happen on Sunday afternoon. Richard Meyer, W8CNY said that he would contact the Fire Chief to get permission to hold it here again.

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- Treasurer, Bill Schultz KQ4CDC: - Not present
 - Richard Meyer, W8CNY, offered to accept any monthly dues.

- Financial Report
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 - Last Month: \$4,966.23 (As of February 28, 2026)
 - Repeater Fund : \$2,500.00
 - General Fund : \$2,466.23
 - Dues: \$ 0.00
 - Donations: \$ 0.00
 - Grand Total: \$4,966.23 (as of March 9, 2026)
 - No monthly dues was collected at the meeting.
 - Received an \$100.00 donation to TLARC from Dave Weikert, KF4DKW, and Lisa Klein, W8LDK, for selling items for Barry Johnson, K8NWB-SK.
 - Received an anonymous \$5.00 donation to TLARC from a TLARC member.

- Secretary, Richard Meyer, W8CNY:
 - As a reminder, the computer access code at the Fire Station is:
 - Wifi Password: Welcome21023##
 - STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS –
 - NET COORDINATOR: Dave Andrews, N1ESK
 - The following repeater Moderator schedule has been posted.
There are still some open spots available if you wish to volunteer.

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Date	NCS
03/25/26	KB4TV, John
04/01/26	KK6OKU, Mike
04/08/26	KR4GAQ, Carol
04/15/26	Meeting
04/22/26	KB4TV, John
04/29/26	K1JAT, Joyce
05/06/26	N1ESK, David
05/13/26	N4CSF, Chuck
05/20/26	Meeting
05/27/26	Bob, ND4P
06/03/26	
06/10/26	
06/17/26	Meeting
06/24/26	

- REPEATER: David Weikert, KF4DKW
 - None

- STATION RADIO COMMITTEE

This Committee was created to decide what equipment is needed to install a base station at the Fire Department. An effort has been made to schedule a one-on-one discussion with the Fire Chief, Jerry Dougherty, about the joint project.

The following people volunteered to be on this new committee:

Dave Andrews, N1ESK
Ted Goodhue, W1EG
Juan Lopez, AC6ZM

Ben Poff, KN4VIF
Jeff Jason, N2JF - Leader

OLD BUSINESS:

NONE.

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- NEW BUSINESS:
 - ANNOUNCEMENTS (Hamfests, contests, items for sale, etc.)
 - HamFests
 - Sieverville Hamfest, this weekend, March 20th
 - Contests
 - POTA-Palooza 2026, Cove Lake State Park, April 25, 2026 at 9 AM.

***** PROGRAM SESSION *****

Juan Lopez, AC6ZM, made a presentation about Remote Ham Radio Operation. The presentation talked about what equipment and software is required. Juan even demonstrated a live contact over the internet.

- **ADJOURNMENT** (Motion: Sam Howard, KQ4CDC. 2nd by Mike Wagner, KK6OKU ; Time: 2018)