

# **MARPLE-NEWTOWN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB**

## **MEETING MINUTES**

**FEBRUARY 1, 2022**

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**BOARD:**           **President – Jim Goldman, W3JG**  
                          **Vice President – Dick Klein, W3UP**  
                          **Secretary, Kevin DePaul, N4SEN**  
                          **Treasurer, Michael Lebrun, N3OMR**

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

President Jim Goldman called the meeting to order at 1900 hours local at the Newtown Township Public Library. All Board members were in attendance. Each of the 25 members and guests in attendance introduced themselves by name and call sign.

### **President Jim Goldman, W3JG:**

- Opened the discussion concerning the question of the continued use of the Newtown Township Public Library and the limited access offered by the Township Board of Supervisors. It was noted that the Township could no longer guarantee the use of the library every Tuesday. In negotiations with the representatives of the Gauntlet Center, President Goldman noted that the club was informed that the Gauntlet Center would welcome the MNARC once again, and would make arrangements for the Club to have access on a monthly basis, with all amenities provided (media, tables and chairs, etc.). The

members of the club voted via quorum to accept the Gauntlet Center offer to hold club meetings there. At this time, it has not been determined which evening, Tuesday or Thursday, our club will hold their meetings. President Goldman will confirm the meeting day and will provide the information to all club members.

- Mr. Goldman then introduced the evening's speakers who provided an in-depth discussion on POTA (Parks on the Air). The following presenters took part: Paul Keener, KT3H; David Arfine, KA1DMA via Zoom; Jay Hettler, N3RT; Fred Schramm, K2HA, and Phil Zminda, N3ZP. A slide show was presented, describing what POTA is and how it works. Various photos of park sites were provided, along with examples of how to initiate contact with participating stations around the world, how to register a station, how to log calls, and what procedures to follow. For more information, members may visit the website at: <https://ParksOnTheAir.com>.
- Presenters also provided a demo of some of the equipment used during POTA events.
- The Meeting was adjourned following the conclusion of the presentation, at 1900 hours.

#### **Treasurer Mike Lebrun, N3OMR**

- Reminded members of the club to renew their membership via the on-line form available on the MNARC website.

#### **Secretary: Kevin DePaul, N4SEN**

- Twenty five members and guests attended the meeting. A3CIK was the lucky winner of the 50-50 cash drawing.
- The following members and guests attended:

Jim Goldman, W3JG  
Mike Lebrun, N3OMR  
Dick Klein, W3UP  
Kevin DePaul, N4SEN  
Fred Schramm, K2HA  
Paul Keenan, KT3H  
Rich Roth, AA3RC  
Burnell Brown, WA3OXY  
Jay Hettler, N3RT  
John Dyckman, WA3KFT  
Felix Bortkiewicz, W3FJB  
Ann Tenaglia, KA3KCJ  
Vic Tenaglia, W3VT  
Jim Genn, KC3RFG  
Jim Kravitz, K3JFK  
Bill O'Reilly, KC3RYS  
Phil Zminda, N3ZP  
John Cunnion, WB3JAC  
Ed Sweeney, A3CIK  
Josh Sweeney, no call  
Will Emmons, W3WIL  
Erin Farmer, KM4WSK  
Mark Farmer, NI20  
Steven Getson, K2SPG  
David Arfine, KA1DMA