

MARPLE-NEWTOWN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB,

K3MN, Delaware County, PA

Minutes of Meeting, January 1st, 2026

Christ United Methodist Church, 2900 Springfield Road, Broomall, PA 19008

(alternate location -- Robert C. Gauntlett Community Center was not available)

7:05 pm -- Call to order by President Erin Farmer, KM4WSK

Self-Introduction by Members and Guests

26 in Attendance:

Members:

AA3EO - Neil	KB3ZDF - Mark	KC3UTF - Michael	N3JIZ - Bob
AA3RC - Richard	KC3NOO - Mike	KC3VDM - Pete	N4SEN - Kevin
K2HA - Fred	KC3PTC - Tim,	KM4WSK - Erin	W3JNF - Jim
KA3KCJ - Anne	KC3RYS - Bill	N3PEG - Peg	W3TRS - Jim
KB3RIJ - David	KC3TER - Joe	NI2O - Mark	W3VT - Vic
KB3SUS - Mike	KC3TRV - Robert	NonHam - Justine	

GUESTS: N2ZLQ - Jeremy, Charlie DeBenedictis, Bill Overbeck, Emma - Erin's daughter

PRESENT BUSINESS - President Erin R. Farmer, KM4WSK announced that the purpose of this regular meeting of MNARC was to elect a slate of officers for 2026 since no candidates came forward for the December meeting. Since that time a slate of officers has been proposed.

President Farmer read out the names on the slate:

President KM4WSK – Erin Farmer (incumbent)

Vice President KC3TER – Joe Jardine

Treasurer KB3SUS – Mike Thomas

Secretary WA3KFT –John Dyckman

A call was made for further nominations; no other nominations were made from the floor.

Fred Schramm, K2HA made a motion to accept the slate of officers by unanimous consent (acclamation). Alan Lindsay, KA3TRV, seconded the motion.

The motion was approved without any opposition or abstentions.

REGULAR BUSINESS:

President Farmer welcomed the new officers and thanked all in attendance for their continued support of the club. Since dues had not yet been collected for 2026, clarification was made of how to pay dues.

DUES - Last year the club voted to raise the annual dues to \$25 for membership and \$35 for a family membership. Since the electronic payment over the website is not presently active, dues can be paid by cash or by check. Electronic payments will be set up as soon as the suitable site is found.

MEETING Location Discussion – The Robert C. Gauntlett Community Center, will still not be available in February and March due to the space being used by newly scheduled classes. Alternate locations were discussed.

MNARC's February and March meeting will be at the RADNOR MEMORIAL LIBRARY in the Winsor Room, ADDRESS: 114 West Wayne Avenue, Wayne, PA 19087.

Winter Field Day - MNARC will again be participating in the Winter Field Day as K3MN on Saturday January 24th 2026. Location – Christ United Methodist Church, Broomall, PA.

ARRL Field Day 2026 will be held June 27 - 28, 2026 – Field Day chairperson and volunteers are needed. Erin said that the location at Christ United Methodist Church, Broomall, PA went well last year and it is scheduled for this year's location.

NEWS COMMUNICATION - Niel, AA3EO asked for the club to increasing the news communication to the membership. Mike Thomas, KB3SUS, suggested a monthly newsletter. After discussion, Justine Beady and Fred Schramm, K2HA volunteered to help with getting the news sent.

The Treasurer's report and Minutes were not available from the December 2025 meeting.

President Farmer, KM4WSK, again thanked the members for the strong showing to support the continuance of MNARC!

Meeting was adjourned at 7:42 pm EST, President Farmer adjourned the January 2026 meeting of the Marple-Newtown Amateur Radio Club

Since Secretary WA3KFT –John Dyckman was out of town these minutes were transcribed by **Fred Schramm**

K2HA Secretary Pro Tempore