

Meeting Minutes

Woodbridge Amateur Radio Club (WARC) (DBA Woodbridge Wireless)

01/15/2026

Meeting opened at 07:30 PM and called to order by Club President Robert Szerszynski, KV4MJ, with the Pledge of Allegiance. Next meeting is on 02/19/2026.

Introductions by all members. 24 members in person and 4 members online via Zoom.

Technical Presentation: George Waltsak, KN4AHN, presented Tinker CAD and provided a demonstration on building a dipole case to hold components. There was an extended discussion on different plastic and other materials. The online availability of pre-created models and importing them for your printer was also discussed. Mike Shingleton, KQ4RUO, also brought some dipole cases that were an example of the quality and tight tolerances that can be built.

Treasurer Report – Rob Williams, KJ4LWN, advised the Club had \$21,021.76 with 2026 dues received of \$2,221.74. 62 members paid 2026 dues but still some on the roster. **After 01/31/26 people will need to re-apply for Club Membership per the Club Charter and Bylaws.** Most bills have already been paid up front. Financial health of the Club is good.

Membership and recruitment: No new members were introduced.

Education Committee Report – Rob Williams, KJ4LWN, reported a Technician Class will be held on 01/16-17/26 with an exam at the end of the Class. A General Class Question Review will be held on 03/27-28/26. For an online Extra class see roland.anders@comcast.net.

Member Activities: Kaleb Hornsby, K4LEB, presented activities:

January 10 ARES Training

January 23-24 Tech Class

January 24 Winter Field Day

February 28 Fox Hunt

March 15 Winterfest in Vienna (anything to donate to the Club?)

March Virginia QSO Party

March 27-28 General Class

April 24 Hour Run

May Satellite Class (depends upon amateur radio satellite availability)

June Overnight Adventure Run

June ARRL VHF/UHF Contest

June Manassas Hamfest

Chasing Cornwallis Party

June 26-28 ARRL Filed Day – Ball Field is reserved.

July 4th Dale City Parade (need a golf cart or like vehicle)

Technical Committee: Stu Mitchell, WA0DYJ, presented:

Interference was found from a Baofeng handheld used for monitoring in the Repeater Shack.

New LIP batteries are running well and 3 new power supplies for acquired.

Still working on power for the internet router.

Still need to replace the roof shingles. No leaks yet but . . .

Web Site. Larry Bates, K0LB. Web site has been updated with minutes posted.

Other Committee Business: None.

New Business: None.

Date of Next WARC General Meeting – Feb 19th.

Motion to adjourn at 08:35 PM.