



## **Schaumburg Amateur Radio Club**

### **Board Meeting**

**December 3, 2025 Board Chairman Bill McGovern  
W9WEM, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM**

### **Attendees**

<b>Don Dewar KD9NJR</b>	<b>Howard Mitchell KD9WSV</b>	<b>Chris Brewer AC9GN</b>
<b>Cliff Sowka K9QD</b>	<b>Bill McGovern W9WEM</b>	<b>Danny Kafka KD9HIL</b>
<b>Bob Benwitz N9JAX</b>	<b>Robert Kocourek W9RKK</b>	<b>Paul Burkett KD9FMN</b>
<b>Paul Meyers Guest</b>	<b>Dennis Calvey KD9HIK</b>	

## **Secretary Report - Howard Mitchell KD9WSV**

November 5<sup>th</sup> BOD Meeting Minutes were published by Howard Mitchell, KD9WSV on November 8th. Paul Burkett KD9FMN moved to approve the minutes. Biill McGovern W9WEM seconded. Members asked for any comments or questions: none heard. Motion Adopted.

## **Treasurer's Report - Chris Brewer AC9GN**

Chris presented the November monthly report as printed below . Howard Mitchell KD9WSV moved to approve the report. Danny Kafka KD9HIL seconded . Members asked for any comments or questions: none heard. Motion Adopted.

## SCHAUMBURG AMATEUR RADIO CLUB MONTHLY REPORT

Month: November 2025

**Checkbook Balance** 10/31/25 **\$13,232.93**

<b>INCOME</b>		<b>MEMO</b>		<b>\$2,375.00</b>
Cash deposit	11/03/25	\$25.00	dues	
Zelle deposit	11/03/25	\$30.00	dues	
Zelle deposit	11/17/25	\$25.00		
Cash/checks	11/26/25	\$2,295.00	(\$1,265 check, \$1,030 cash)	

<b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>		<b>MEMO</b>		<b>\$2,680.13</b>
ACH	11/07/25	\$78.52	AT&T DSL	
Check #1931	11/10/25	\$27.88	Schaumburg safety day	
ACH	11/12/25	\$1,085.21	Batteries and chargers	
Zelle payment	11/17/25	\$176.04	Matt Walsh website fees	
Check #1934	11/20/25	\$1,312.48	Battery box parts	

11/30/25	Account Balance	<b>\$12,927.80</b>
11/30/25	Bank Statement	<b>\$12,927.80</b>

<b>Pending Payments</b>		<b>MEMO</b>		<b>-\$79.45</b>
Check #1393	11/05/25	<b>-\$79.45</b>	Business cards	
		<b>-\$25.00</b>	(5) BB \$5 overcharges	
	10/30/25		Adjusted balance	<b>\$12,848.35</b>

**Petty Cash**

Original balance	10/31/25	\$100.00	
	11/20/25	\$135.00	(4) dues + \$30 donation
	11/20/25	\$15.00	SK auction (autotransformer)
	11/20/25	\$885.00	Battery box + dues to acct
		<b>-\$1,030.00</b>	cash to acct
New Balance	11/30/25		<b>MEMO \$105.00</b>
	11/30/25		<b>Funds Available \$12,953.35</b>

Notes:

bb income	\$2,150.00	
bb overcharges	<b>-\$25.00</b>	
bb costs	<u>\$2,397.69</u>	
delta	<b>-\$272.69</b>	(one unpurchased bb?)

**115 members on roster**

## Field Day Committee, Danny Kafka KD9HIL

The committee continues to consider an alternate site for 2026 Field Day if not able to access the Plum Grove water tower site. Many sites proposed thus far will not allow the conditions we need or prefer for an operational site.

## Construction Project, Cliff Sowka K9QD

Members have initiated build of the battery box designed by Robert Kocourek (W9RKK). Cliff requested the board to approve \$60 for the purpose of purchasing Anderson Power Poles which were implied as being provided by the club when the members signed up to build the boxes.

Danny Kafka KD9HIL moved to approve request and Robert Kocourek W9RKK seconded. Motion Adopted

## EmComm, Howard Mitchell KD9WSV, Chairman

After the meeting the following information was on the Schaumburg website

### AMATEUR RADIO CLUB RECOGNIZED FOR CONTRIBUTIONS



The **Schaumburg Amateur Radio Club**, now 111 members strong, provided crucial support to the village during this year's Septemberfest. Twenty-six volunteers contributed more than 80 service hours, acting as extra eyes and ears to help keep residents safe. Club members spent several days coordinating with village staff to ensure operations aligned with all Septemberfest Command Staff policies and expectations.

Tracy Raimondo, Emergency Management and Accreditation Manager for the Village of Schaumburg, presented the club with a plaque in recognition of their dedicated service.

In addition to their volunteer efforts, the club recently hosted a training class for local residents, with 25 participants completing the course in preparation for their amateur radio licensing exam.

For more information about the Schaumburg Amateur Radio Club or to learn how to become a licensed amateur radio operator, visit their [website](#).

## **Radio Hill Gazette (RHG) - Eliot Libner N9EPA Editor**

Eliot not present – no report

## **Publicity - Dennis Calvey KD9HIK, Chairman**

- Facebook engagement continues to grow - slowly. Up to 212 followers.
- Posted announcements about ISS Class exercise, SSTV Series 30 from Satellite RS-38S and picture of Tracy Raimondo (Village of Schaumburg, Emergency Management) presenting a Thank You plaque to Howard Mitchell (KD9WSV) and Dennis Calvey (KD9HIK).
- An invitation is planning to be sent to officials in Schaumburg inviting them to the SARC Holiday party.
- Dennis is planning to make a presentation to the Village of Schaumburg Public Works about what equipment SARC has installed at the Small Drive and Plum Grove sites, and writing a document that will explain how to contact SARC if they need to interact with our equipment or shut it down in an emergency. Howard Mitchell was asked to contact the Department of Public Works to establish a date for this presentation.

## **Youth Engagement Kirk Musselman, K9MSG Chair**

Kirk was not present - no report

## **Nets- Don Dewar, KD9NJR**

Net participation remains strong. Don continues to seek additional members to take on responsibility as net control operators. Howard Mitchell reported that Peter Schaak, N9SCH, has committed to help running the new ham net. It is planned to split the for this net between Howard, Peter and Guy Stanek, KE9AIA.

## **Education - Leo Ribordy, N9NBH**

Leo was not present. A class for those interested in getting a General class license is planned for January and Leo has asked for a few volunteers to help with the training.

## **Programs- Don Dewar, KD9NJR**

There is no business meeting in January due to the club holiday party. Don is looking for programs beginning in February

## **Social Program - John Douglas, KD9KSH Chairman**

John was not present. The club's holiday party will be held in January and will again held at the Pollyanna Brewing Company in Roselle.

## **Old Business**

No reports

## **New Business**

Paul Myers who was a guest but is joining the club, indicated that because of his substantial background, he would be willing to pick up the web responsibilities currently handled by Matt Walsh, AC9IG, who will be ending his involvement on the web in 2026. (I have been notified that in the VE testing conducted on December 6<sup>th</sup>, Paul passed both the technician and general license tests and is awaiting his call sign. Congratulations Paul)

**Meeting Adjourned 7:40 PM**

**Submitted December 7, 2025,**

**Howard Mitchell KD9WSV, Secretary**