

Yellow Thunder Amateur Radio Club Meeting Minutes for April 6th, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 705 pm.

Secretary's Report--

The minutes of the March meeting were presented. Patrick (W9PCK) moved to approve the March minutes. Ray (KD9LNZ) seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report -

The ending bank balance for March was \$x,xxx.xx. Insurance expense is due.

Old Business -

Members discussed repeater issues. The rebooting of the system resolved the transmit problem. Repeater was found to be functioning properly in spite of weather conditions. Brad reported there was ice accumulation on the tower (4 inches of ice on guy wires).

New Business -

Circus City Swapfest details are in the works. Set up times were discussed. There will be changes to times from last year. The gates open at 630AM for vendors. Doors open at 8AM until 1130AM. VE testing will start at 930AM. Drawing happens at 11AM. Potential door prizes and contacts were discussed.

Brad is exploring options for lithium iron phosphate batteries and charging solutions for battery backup systems for the repeater.

Members shared their ham radio activities during March including POTA activations and POTA hunting. Patrick shared with the group his experience with the DX Lab Suite for DX hunting.

Motion to adjourn was made and was seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:53pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Tammy Conley (KE9BUP) Secretary
Yellow Thunder Amateur Radio Club

Attendance -

Mathew Toussaint KD9DZT

Ray Sommerfeldt KD9LNZ

Patrick Kirchenwitz N9PCK

Mike Dempsey KE9BHX

Dan Brown WX9E*

Tammy Conley KE9BUP

Matt Noll KC9UPE

Lucas Noll

Joe Mayenshein WB9SBD*

Tom Harrison N9PQJ*

Michael Fehrenbach W9MRF*

William N9CHN*

Mark Gregory W1MHG*

Brad Pointon*

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