# Capital City Amateur Radio Club

Minutes of the October 5, 2026 Regular Meeting

## Officer and Committee Reports:

### President (Tom KE7VUX)

Thank you for all the work on the repeater.

### Vice-President (Brian KJ7OUF)

none

### Treasurer (Al WA1TYB)

The September financial report was emailed to club members.

### Secretary (Oakley KE7WWL)

Sorry, no notes from last month. I tried logging in online, but there was no audio.

### Testing & Training (John KS7R)

We have 4 people signed up to take our next test.

### Repeater

A work crew went up and fixed the guy wires and grounding

### ARES (Al WA1TYB)

The great shakeout is October 15 at 10:15. We will have a net on our repeater. There are other nets including on 3,880

### Membership Growth Committee

Allen Le Vie reported we have a 15% increase in membership since June. There are currently 15 people in our tech class. Please let him know if you are interested in a General class.

### Newsletter Editor (Marla KM7LIB)

The October edition of the newsletter has been emailed to our members. Marla is hoping Al will take over as editor..

**Old Business:**

## Just for the Helena of it

The race will be on October 18. We are looking for a few more volunteers.

**New Business:**

## Ham of the Year

The award will be presented at our December meeting. The last 3 recipients will be picking, so let them know if you have any suggestions (Al, Al, and Eric/Stacy).

## Nomination Committee

The committee will present a suggested slate of officers at the November meeting. Bill, Rob, and Devin have agreed to be on the committee. Please let them know if you have any suggestions.

## Townsend Repeater

The door has been broken in and mice got in. Mike Stapp is looking for a replacement TNC. Please let him know if you have one available.

## ARRL Grant

Al Le Vie is working on a grant proposal for study materials to help grow membership.

## Dues

Al Simons is wondering if we should start accepting credit/debit cards. We could add payment to the website and offer auto renewal. Would probably use a service like Square or Stripe.

## Announcements:

- Next Meeting is on November 2
- Salvation Army Training Class October 19 in Great Falls
- Dues will be set at our December meeting.

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Date: 10/05/2026

Salvation Army Community Center
1905 Henderson St, Helena MT 59601

| Call Sign | Name | CCARC Member? | ARRL Member? |
|---|---|---|---|
| KE7ZVB | MICHAEL D STAAP | | |
| KH7AL | Allen LeVie | ✓ | ✓ |
| W7BY2 | Joe Speer | ✓ | |
| KM7LIB | Mark Unruh | ✓ | ✓ |
| KE7HIS | Steve Miller | ✓ | ✓ |
| KM7AEM | KEITH PLATTS | ✓ | ✓ |
| W7HS | MARK HACKENBRACK | ✓ | ✓ |
| AE7AP | Rob Kingery | ✓ | ✓ |
| N7MSI | Bill McGuire | ✓ | ✓ |
| N7AGP | Bob MORRIS | ✓ | ✓ |
| KJ7EBX | Kyle Hill | ✓ | ✓ |
| N7SHM | Dan Hawkins | ✓ | |
| WA1TYB | A Simons | ✓ | ✓ |
| KE7WWL | Cathy Smustad | X | |
| KE7VUX | Jon Mahler | ✓ | ✓ |
| KB7OMK | TIM SOWA | ✓ | ✓ |
| N7HNT | Dean Felix | ✓ | ✓ |
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