

IRC Meeting Minutes

November 15, 2025 meeting at the Ft. Wayne Ham Fest

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Atkinson at 14:12 p.m. local time.

The meeting was presided over by Bill (NF9K), Vice Chairman Bob Burns (AK9R), Secretary / Treasurer Mike Sercer (WA9FDO) and Coordinator Patrick McDonnell (W3AXL).

Mike (WA9FDO) read the meeting minutes from the July 12th ZOOM meeting. There were no corrections or additions. The meeting minutes were accepted as read.

Mike (WA9FDO) presented the treasurers report. As of November 14th, 2025 there was \$4931.95 in the treasury. There were no corrections or additions and the treasurer's report was accepted as read.

Motions to accept both reports were made and seconded and passed by voice vote.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Bill Atkinson reported on several ongoing projects.

1. The OCR conversion of the Bylaws is running behind due to other priorities. It will be done by the February 2026 meeting for membership review and then voted on during the July ZOOM meeting.
2. The current membership database is almost ready to be put online. It will allow members to view membership data, status and dues payment. The members will be able to make corrections to items with approval by the staff.
3. The Flexweb coordination software is running well with no major problems. Conversation with the publisher continues regarding some new features we would like to see implemented.

Coordinator's Report:

Patrick reported that work continues to get Flexweb fully integrated with our coordination process. Efforts continue to tie helpdesk with the coordination process such that an applicant can easily track the progress of a request.

A short discussion regarding Notification of coordination to surrounding State coordinators. A way of streamlining the process and providing the requester an update is under development. Most coordination's must be approved by other surrounding State coordinating groups if the 120 mile radius falls in their state.

NEW BUSINESS:

The next live meeting will be at the Hendricks County Ham Fest on February 7, 2026. This will be the meeting where election of officers is conducted. Anyone wishing to run for an office must contact the Secretary in writing no later than January 16th, 2026.

The summer 2026 meeting will be conducted over the internet via ZOOM. The date will be published at a later date.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

Patrick McDonnell suggested that it is time to revisit coordination parameters used by the Council. He pointed out that current best practices used by the commercial world takes into account several engineering parameters beyond just a geographic location and a fixed separation radius. Bill Atkinson tasked Patrick with putting together a suggested revision of how we might update our criteria and present it for discussion at the February meeting.

With no further items of business, the meeting was adjourned at 14:39 p.m.

Submitted,

Mike Sercer, WA9FDO
Secretary/Treasurer