

FNRW Board Meeting Minutes
6:00 PM November 19, 2025

ATTENDEES:

Bob Kleinbrahm - Chairman
Kent Oster – Technical Expert
Lisa Cunningham – Secretary
Sue Wilson – Member at Large
David Swager – Co-Chair
Marci Swager – Member at Large

ABSENT:

Lana Dykstra – Member at large
Steve Allred – Technical Expert
Deirdre Mueller - Treasurer

The meeting started at 6:00 PM via Zoom. October meeting minutes were discussed, seconded and approved as submitted. Bob gave the treasurer's report and stated that the current balance for our account is \$8165.66.

OLD BUSINESS

- Bob reported that he and Bob Hines were working together to choose a new audio/visual system for the FCC building. They estimate a cost of \$1200-\$1400 total to be split between the FCC and FNRW.
- Bob stated that he would like to move forward with a plan for a master emergency drill that would include other entities, i.e. Firewise, Amador Fire District, Sheriff's Dept., Boy Scouts, etc. Lisa will contact the county representative, Kayla Dale, for her help to coordinate the event.
- Bob submitted a detailed article that describes how donations fund our operations. It will be published in the Fiddletown Newsletter before Giving Tuesday on December 2, 2025.

NEW BUSINESS

- Bob will set up our table at the Katherine Drexel facility on Monday before Giving Tuesday on December 2nd at the Katherine Drexel facility. Both he and Lisa will host the table on Tuesday. Sue will represent FNRW at the FCC and Dave will follow up with the Amador Community Foundation. Sue will also post something for us in the Ledger Dispatch before the event. Note: All checks must be dated December 2, 2025 to receive matching funds.

- Bob introduced another potential opportunity to receive grant funds through a program called Community Wildfire Protection Plan whose main focus is fire prevention, mitigation, and fuel reduction. The organization recognizes the important role FNRW plays in keeping our community safe and plans to create new maps that will pinpoint the locations of our radio towers and equipment. This in turn may qualify us to receive grant funds. Several other radio watch groups within the county will be pinned on the maps to encompass over 400 properties total.
- Topics to be discussed at future meetings include, but are not limited to the following:
 1. Kent wants to discuss new power supply options for 2026.
 2. Research our options to engage the Boy Scouts with our program.
 3. Different options for our Net sessions, i.e. Talk arounds.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:46 PM.