

**Port City Amateur Radio Club  
Meeting Minutes February 4, 2026**

- Call to Order: By Mark Pride President @19L
- Housekeeping/Agenda Preview
- Feb. dinner: Hans(KC1KND) & Allen(KB1UWV)
- Dinner Donations: \$118
- Member introductions
- In-person: 28
- Zoom: 15
- New: 1
- Treasures Report:
- Checking:
- Savings:
- Total: Available to membership
- Motion to accept – Dan(NA1E)
- Second: Mark(KC1SOW)
- Accepted
  
- Announcements
- Member License Upgrades: None
- AA1CA Estate
- Info will posted on groups.io
- Sell to club members first, then clubs flea market and Nearfest
- Contact Mike, K8CN
  
- Club Calendar
- VE Test Session: February 7
- ARES Meeting: February 18
- POTA ACTIVITY: n/a
- Lab Night: February 28 – project TBD
  
- Main Topic – RT Systems: Presented by Karin (KD4DXX)
- Radio programming software
- Covers 42+ manufactures
- Gave a demo of all the features of the software.
- Use PCARC2026 for 10% off good til the end of February
  
- Old Business:
- Approve FY26 Budget that was presented at the January meeting
- Motion to Approve:
- Thom(K1TKT)
- 2<sup>nd</sup>: Dan(NA1E)
- Accepted
- RAS-4 Project
- Cabinets have been built
- PCB Design completed
- Offered as a kit – under \$200 per unit (3 separate boxes all included)
- Lab night March will start to package

- New Business
- Portsmouth Market Square Day – Dave(KX1A)
- June 13, 2026 – rain or shine
- 50,000 visitors
- 12×15 exhibit site open tent
- Cost: \$175, may be waived
- Will need volunteers
- Equipment, no generators
- No HF, VHF/UHF ok
- Road race comms – sponsor uses cellular
- Handouts
- Signage
- Demos
- Motion to move forward
- Kriss(KA1GJU)
- Thom(K1TKT)
- Motion Approved
  
- Lightning Round
- WAS-250 – Sully(KC1WNM)
- April 29<sup>th</sup> to May 5<sup>th</sup> 2026
- May 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> is NEARFest – will be operating
- To operate register at [was250nh@w1wqm.org](mailto:was250nh@w1wqm.org)
- info will be sent to you
- Gave a demo of the scheduling software that will be used for the event
- Two hour time slots, book as many as you can
- February Contests
- European Union DX Contest 12Z Feb 7 to 12Z Feb 8
- ARRL International DX Contest – CW 0Z Feb 21 to 24Z Feb 22
- World Wide Argentina DX Contest 0Z – 2359Z Feb 22
- State QSO Parties
- Vermont 0Z Feb 7 to 2059Z Feb 8
- Minnesota 14Z Feb 7 to 24Z Feb 8
- British Columbia 16Z to 0359Z Feb 8 and 16Z Feb 8 to 0359Z Feb 8
- South Carolina 15Z Feb 28 to 0159Z Mar 1
- Contest Calendar: [www.contestcalendar.com](http://www.contestcalendar.com)
- Winter Field Day and POTA
- Operated from Hampton Beach State Park
- Extreme Cold weather with wind chills as low as minus 25
- Challenges
- Generators
- RFI
- Wind/antennas
- Bathrooms
- Extreme cold
- Meet several objectives during the event
- Away from home
- Alternative power

- 6 hours continuous
- Multiple antennas
- Multiple modes
- 50/50 Raffle
- Winner - Adam, KC1RXA
- Motion to Adjourn Meeting
- Dan(NA1E)
- Steve(KC1ILT)
- Meeting adjourned at 2140L