

**Port City Amateur Radio Club  
Meeting Minutes May 6, 2026**

- Call to Order: By Mark Pride President @19L
- Housekeeping/Agenda Preview
- May Dinner: Thom(K1TKT)
  - Dinner Donations: \$92
- Member introductions
  - In-person: 37
  - Zoom: 7
  - New:
- Treasures Report:
  - Motion to accept – Alan (KB1UWV)
  - Second: Bill (KB1YJ)
  
- Club Calendar
  - VE Test Session: May 9th
  - ARES: May 20th
  - Lab Night: May TBD
  
- Announcements
  - Member License Upgrades: None
  - Planned POTA Events: May 9<sup>th</sup> at Hampton Beach State Park
  
- Old Business
  - Portsmouth Market Square Day
    - We are confirmed
    - Looking for volunteers
  
  - Field Day Shirts
    - Keeping with the current company
    - Board approved buying more shirts to keep costs down
    - June meeting will have more info
  
  - ARRL Special Service Club – we have been approved
  
- New Business
  - Nominating Committee – June Elections
  - Request by HamExpo – August 2026 SSC Presentation
  
- Main Topic –
  - FT8 and FT4 – Ken (N1RP)
    - Gave an introduction on FT8 and FT4
    - Slide show is available on our website
  
- Lightning Rounds

- Field Day 2026 June 27 – 28
  - Cycle 24 (WRTC 2014 antenna) Triband beam with a triplexer
  - Shelter has been updated
  - Celebrating 75 years
  
- WAS-250
  - First week complete
  - 16 active operators
  - Approximately 6,191 QSO's
  
- Contest Calendar
  - Only one big contest the WPX CW contest May 30 -31
  - Two State/Province QSO parties
  - for more info see [www.contestcalendar.com](http://www.contestcalendar.com)
  - POTA:
    - April 19<sup>th</sup> first club POTA picnic
    - 36 QSO's between SSB and FT8
    - Upcoming Dates
      - May 9<sup>th</sup>
      - June – none
      - Planning for July and August
  
- 50/50 Raffle
  - \$60 – Paid out \$30
  
- Adjourn Meeting
  - Motion to Adjourn – Thom (K1TKT)
  - Second – Bill (KB1YJ)
  - Accepted
  - Meeting adjourned at 2130