

Socorro Amateur Radio Association
Minutes for October 8, 2025 Meeting

By Rick Lively, KI5GDB

This document contains the minutes of the SARA meeting on 8 October 2025 at the Socorro County Emergency Management Building at 198 Neel Ave. Robert Collins (SARA President) called the meeting to order at 1930 hours. Rick Lively (Secretary) took notes.

1. Introductions: We welcomed back Howard Peavey, K9PV
2. Announcements:
 - a. HamCon Colorado 2025 (Grand Junction, CO) — October 23rd – 26th
 - b. Eastern NM ARC Fall Hamfest/Tailgate (Clovis) — November 15th
 - c. Blue Canyon Trail Run (Socorro) — December 13th
3. Business Meeting:
 - a. Approval of agenda: A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda and the motion passed.
 - b. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of 10 September 2025 and the motion passed.
4. Reports:
 - a. Treasury: Henry Newton presented the Treasurer Report for September 2025.
 - i. SARA entered Sept with \$11503.78
 - ii. Income consisted of \$255 from badge collection cost. Dave Johnston will order the badges.
 - iii. There was \$10 in debits to NM Sec of State for SARA non-profit registration
 - iv. SARA left Sept with \$11,718.78 and that includes \$645.45 that belongs to TARA
 - b. ARES:
 - i. Al Braun reported that the Wednesday ARES net, the Thursday Tri-County net, and the Socorro County ARES Group net are continuing.
 - c. Charter School:
 - i. No update
 - d. TARA:
 - i. Bill Heller reported that TARA has been holding regular weekly meetings.
 - e. Repeaters:
 - i. A repair team was sent up M Mountain to diagnose some issues with the Jacks Peak and TARA repeaters. A surge power protector had failed and took a breaker with it. A power cord was swapped. There was some difficulty getting the key in the telephone box. There are still issues with the TARA repeater.
 - f. Lab night: 22 October
 - g. 2026 Hamfest Committee: Tess Anderson reported that the Convention Center has been confirmed for the July 11th date.

5. Old Business:
 - a. Silent Keys webpag: No update yet, but we will initially post names and call signs.
 - b. Henry will coordinate contacting everyone when the badges arrive at Radio Shack.
 - c. Club picnic: The consensus was that there won't be time to hold anything with the holidays approaching. The discussion will be deferred until the Spring.
 - d. Skywarn: More information is needed on classes and how the Skywarn system is currently being utilized by the Albuquerque Weather Service.
6. New Business:
 - a. M Mountain repeater access: Form was submitted.
 - b. Holiday party: Scheduled for Masonic Lodge, December 10th at 6 PM. A motion was made to approve \$200, \$100 for the Masonic Lodge and \$100 for supplies. The motion passed. Food will be a pot luck.
 - c. Winter Field Day — 24-25 January. The possibility of the San Antonio location was proposed.
7. Program: Open discussion on what club members want from the club.
8. Good of the Organization:
 - a. SARA table at the Duke City Hamfest: received additional positive comments on the SARA Hamfest.
 - b. Support several local events with high visibility.
9. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 2040 hours.

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08 October 2025 Meeting Attendees

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#	Name	Call	email if first attendance	Notes
1	Rick Livak	KISGDB		
2	HENRY NEWTON	KCSWYA		
3	Brad Smith	KDSJNT		
4	JAMES PRICE	K4JEP		
5	James Beswell	KASSTW		
6	Robert Collins	AISDR		
7	Tess Andrus	KJSDCM		
8	Robert Greiner	KGSGOL		
9	Anne Brinson	ADGUY		
10	Jim Lamm	K0RBT		
11	Jim Lamm	KC7QY		
12	David Braun	KABYEX		
13	Al Braun	KCSBX		
14	Bill Heller	KGSNGN		
15	Barry Albrecht	W5VEB		
16	PEAVEY	K9PL		
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