

LAKE WALES RADIO AMATEURS
REGULAR MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 12, 2026

1. A regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by the President, Mike Lunsford, KB4FHP. The meeting location was at Lake Wales Fire Department Station 1, 253 W. Central Av., Lake Wales.
2. Four club officers were present (Member At Large Mike Green, AG4LT deployed with American Red Cross). Twenty-three persons in attendance (2 on Google Meets).
3. Vice President Dan Haslam, W5DBH, welcomed everyone, led the Pledge of Allegiance and conducted roll call.
4. Gary Bishop, K4GHB, Club Treasurer presented monthly treasurers report. Currently 73 paid up members. Report approved as read.
5. John Thacker, KU8Q, VE Team Leader, presented monthly VE report. On February 7th, tested one Extra from Frostproof, One General from Lake Alfred and two Technicians, from Eagle Lake and Lakeland respectively. All were successful. One Extra and one Technician already registered for the March Session, and one Technician candidate for April.
6. John Sherwood, W4JFS, presented the QRP report: 21 persons braved the cold and came out for the event. Next QRP will be February 28th at Crystal Lake Park in Lake Wales from 9am to noon. The theme will be APRS.
7. Gene Smith, WH6DNF, Club Secretary provided update on the Club's Post Card Marketing effort. 500 post cards have been mailed out. 3 direct inquires for more information, 1 notice of a Silent Key and 11 returned as not deliverable.
8. Mike Lunsford, KB4FHP, provided update on the club's Lake Wales repeater and license renewal.
9. Program for the night was "Show and Tell" by members on projects they completed or were working on.
10. Meeting Adjourned at 8:02 PM.

Submitted By Eugene Smith, Secretary