MEETING OF THE ST. CROIX VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

October 18, 2026 In Person and Via Zoom

The meeting was called to order by President Kevin Stanhope at 1404

Present were:

Kevin Stanhope, KA1VKQ, President
Dick Smith,VE9HX, Vice President
Roger Holst, W1LH, Treasurer
Maurry Mills, W1FWS, Secretary
Mike Sanford, WB1GEO (Zoom)
Anne Carter, KB1RQH (Zoom)
Ken Carter, WA1DXO (Zoom)

Note: We have 30 members and need a minimum of ten to be present for a quorum. With only 7 members present we could not have an official meeting. A change in the bylaws would require a vote by 2/3 of the members.

We propose to send out an email ballot to all members to have them vote on a change in the bylaws to require that only six members be present to conduct official club business.

Roger discussed the finances and some highlights of the annual hamfest. There weren't allot of people attending but it went well. Roger forgot to take out the money ($100) he had put in the cash box for change before we did the 50/50. He will make up the loss with some keys from a donated batch of equipment from a silent key.

The special coffee cup auction brought in $50 for the Spectrum Defense Fund, and there was a net gain of $190 after all expenses.

No Secretaries Report:

Treasurers Report:

Camden Bank Account:	$1944.37
Cash	340.00
Check	25.00

Spectrum Fund:	94.00
PayPal:	831.32
Total Assets:	3234.69

Winter Field Day
Kevin proposed that the club participate in Winter Field Day, which will run from 1100 Saturday, January 23 to 1659, Sunday January 24, 2027. He has a camp available a short drivable distance off of Route 214 in Pembroke, near Pottle's Saw Mill. We will discuss it more at the November meeting.

Misc. Items of Interest
Kevin let us know about the REZ antenna system that was reviewed in QST and available from DX Engineering. There are lots of options available including a tripod and telescoping whip antennas.

Roger mentioned that last month's QST had an article about clubs and meeting protocols. One club had their presentation at the beginning of the meeting so those not interested wouldn't have to sit in on the business meeting.

Melody Green has some equipment that Roger will list on the web site. She donated $10 to the club.

There is a Spectrum Interference Group, K1UI is the lead. He is a retired engineer from ARRL and may be available to do a presentation via zoom, possibly for the November meeting.

The Spectrum raffle raised $10; the prize was a phone patch.

Upcoming Events:
Monthly Club Meeting: Sunday, November 15, 2026 at Calais Veteran's Center and via Zoom.
Winter Field Day January 23 and 24, 2027.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 1502 hours.
Respectfully submitted

Maurry Mills, Secretary