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Minutes of the East River Amateur Radio Club meeting held on September 2, 2013; Ryan's Steakhouse Bluefield, VA. <http://www.erarc.com> the meeting was opened at 703pm by Stephen Rector W8QHC, ERARC President. There were 12 members and guests in attendance. All were welcomed. Hooger Fisher W4OF read the August minutes. Roger Stefancic KC8LGR, ERARC Treasurer, gave his report. He made a deposit for membership and had no bills to pay. Only 41 members have renewed as of today and there were around 90+ members last year. Roger reminds us that membership renewals are due by August 31. Renewals are still \$15.00 per amateur per year and an additional \$1 per amateur at the same mailing address. Send renewals to: ERARC, P.O. Box 1362, Bluefield, WV 24701. Roger would like members to email him at rdstefancic@yahoo.com with updated/preferred email addresses, phone numbers, etc. Thanks! Hooger will also send out renewal reminders via email.

Gary Kadar N8GK gave a report on the August 10 ARRL VE test session. Two candidates tested. Both passed their Technician tests and one also passed the General test. He also tried the Extra test and missed it by just several questions. Repeater report: The 147.06 was on the air and the 145.49 was off the air just before this meeting. Don Anderson WD8OOR was not present at this meeting for further information. Jay Belt K8CTI nor John Riddle N8RIG had any more repeater information.

Gary Kadar said that the Green Valley Restaurant (where local Hams meet for Saturday breakfast) is once again being sold. We will see how this affects the weekly meal. He also mentioned that he found out that worn out WV Amateur Radio license plates can be replaced for \$5.00. Harold Hodges N8NCP and David Sexton AB8D gave a brief report on their trip to the Shelby Hamfest this past weekend. Steve asked if anyone would like to give some sort of program for the October meeting. He also asked if anyone would like to form a "program" committee. Steve read part of an article by Steve Ford WB8IMY from the September 2012 QST magazine concerning PL tones and their origin. The meeting was over by 735pm.

Submitted by Hooger Fisher W4OF, ERARC Secretary.