

Constitution

Beaver Creek Amateur Radio Association

Preamble:

We, the undersigned, wishing to secure for ourselves the pleasures and benefits of an Association of persons commonly interested in Amateur Radio and radio communication, constitute ourselves the “**Beaver Creek Amateur Radio Association**” (BCARA), located in the Red Rocks at Beaver Creek Ranch Community, Penrose Colorado and enact this constitution as our governing law.

It shall be our purpose to provide electronic communications in the event of disasters, or other emergencies to the furtherance of the public welfare and the residence of the Red Rocks at Beaver Creek Ranch Community; to further the exchange of information and cooperation between members, to promote radio knowledge, fraternalism and individual operating efficiency, the promotion of interest in Amateur Radio communication, experimentation and radio communications in general; the advancement of the radio art and to conduct Association programs and activities as to advance the general interest, emergency communications and welfare of Amateur Radio in the Red Rocks at Beaver Creek Ranch Community.

Article I

Membership

This Association is primarily for Amateur Radio, however all persons interested in Amateur Radio communications and radio communication in general, to include the General Mobile Radio Service (GMRS) and Short Wave Listeners (SWL), shall be eligible for membership.

Membership is defined in the Association By-laws.

Membership is by application and upon such terms as the Association shall provide in its By-Laws.

Membership may be terminated as defined in the Association By-laws.

Article II

Equal Opportunities Policy

Membership shall not be denied, or discriminated on the grounds of race, creed, color, religion, gender, political affiliation, marital status, or any other reason that would be biased or prejudicial.

Article III Officers

Section. 1. Association Officers

The elected officers of this Association shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Section. 2. Election

The officers of this Association shall be elected by ballot of the members present at the annual meeting. The form of ballot is defined in the Association By-laws.

Section 3. Term limits

Officer terms and term limits are defined in the Association By-laws.

Section. 4. Vacancies

Vacancies occurring between elections must be filled by special elections at the first regular meeting following the withdrawal, or resignation. A special meeting may be called for this purpose.

Section 5. Eligibility

In order to hold an Association office, an individual shall be a member in good standing for at least one (1) year and hold any valid and unexpired class of Amateur Radio license, in their name.

Section 6. Resignation

Any officer may resign his/her position in writing to the Association Secretary, at which time all records and assets of the Association shall be turned over to the President, or Vice President if the President is resigning.

Section 7. Removal of Officers

Officers may be removed from office for cause, or upon written petition of six (6) or more members and presented to the Association President, who will form an Investigation Committee. If the petition is against the Association President, it shall be presented to the Association Vice President who will form an Investigation Committee.

After investigation, the petition shall be presented to the membership at the next regular Association meeting for a vote by the membership. A special meeting may be called for this purpose.

Removal of an officer requires a majority vote of the membership present and authorized to vote.

Section 8. Combined Association office

The office of Treasurer is normally combined with the Secretary, but may be combined with any office, except President. As the Association grows, the Treasure office may become a separate elected office held by another individual.

Article IV

Duties of Officers

Section. 1. President

The President shall preside at all regular, annual and special meetings and conduct them according to the rules adopted. He/she shall enforce due observance of this Constitution and Association By-Laws; decide all questions of order; sign all official documents adopted by the Association and perform all other duties pertaining to the office of President. At the expiration of his/her term he/she shall turn over all items belonging to the Association to his/her successor.

Section. 2. Vice President

The Vice-President shall assume all the duties of the President in his/her absence. In addition, he/she shall organize Association activities, plan and recommend activities; such as contests, Field Day, special events, Fox hunts and others for the operating benefits and to advance Association interest and activity as approved by the Association and perform any additional duties assigned by the Association President. The VP may request the President form activity committees. He/she shall maintain close liaison with the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) local ARES ® Emergency Coordinator to further Association participation in the Amateur Radio Emergency Service. ® At the expiration of his/her term he/she shall turn over all items belonging to the Association to his/her successor.

Note: The ARES ® and Amateur Radio Emergency Service ® are registered trademarks of the American Radio Relay League (ARRL).

Section. 3. Secretary

The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of all meetings, keep a roll of members, process membership applications, carry on all correspondence, read communications at each meeting and send meeting notices to each member. Keep all Association records orderly and up to date and perform any additional duties assigned by the Association President. At the expiration of his/her term he/she shall turn over all items belonging to the Association to his/her successor.

Section. 4. Treasurer

The Treasurer shall receive and receipt for all monies paid to the Association; keep an accurate account of all monies received and expended; pay no bills without proper authorization (by the Association or its officers) and perform any additional duties assigned by the Association President. At the end of each fiscal year, he/she shall submit an itemized statement of disbursements and receipts. At the end of his/her term he/she shall turn over everything in his/her possession belonging to the Association to his/her successor.

Section 5. Board of Directors

As Association membership grows, a Board of Directors may be organized, if needed and approved by a membership vote. The Board shall consist of no less than one Regular member and no more than eight Regular members of good standing in the Association. The Association President is the Chairman of the Board. One board member shall be designated as the board secretary and tasked with taking the minutes and performing additional assigned duties. All Association Officers and Regular members are eligible to serve on the Board. Nominations for Board membership shall be taken from the floor and voted on at the annual meeting.

If formed, Board of Directors duties and term limits shall be defined in the Association By-laws.

Article V Meetings

The By-Laws shall provide for regular, annual and special Association meetings, including Association activities.

A quorum for the transaction of business at meetings (regular, annual, special) and voting, is a minimum of one-third (1/3) of the Regular membership and at least one (1) elected officer, unless specified otherwise in the By-laws

The By-laws shall provide for Committee, Board of Director meetings and their quorum requirements.

Robert's Rules of Order shall govern all proceedings.

Article VI Dues

The Association, by majority vote of those authorized to vote that are present at the regular or special meeting, may levy upon the general membership such dues or assessments as shall be deemed necessary for the business of the organization. Non-payment of such dues or assessments shall be cause for expulsion from the Association within the discretion of the membership.

Article VII Membership Assistance

Through designated Committees, the Association will provide technical advice to members concerning equipment design and operation to assist in frequency observance, clean signals, uniform practice, and absence of spurious radiation from Association member-stations. The Association shall also maintain a program to foster and guide public relations.

Article VIII
Association Call Sign

As provided by Part 97 of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) rules, the Association may elect to apply for an Association call sign, which shall be used as specified in the By-laws.

The President shall assign trusteeship of the Association call sign.

The trustee shall:

- A. Be a member of the Association in good standing
- B. Meet FCC part 97 requirements.
- C. Not had his/her Amateur Radio licensed revoked, or sanctioned at any time.

Article IX
Association Repeater/s

The Association may coordinate frequencies, install and operate a repeater, or repeaters as specified in the By-laws and in accordance with local and FCC rules, regulations and directives.

Article X
Dissolution of The Association

Section 1. Termination of Operations

In the event that the Officers (Board of Directors if used) votes that the Association should be dissolved, the motion for dissolution must receive more than two thirds (2/3) vote of all membership to pass. In this case, non-voting members may cast a vote. Members unable to attend the meeting, may vote by proxy. The proxy shall be in writing and revokable at the discretion of the member executing it.

Section 2. Disposition of Assets

The Officers (Board of Directors if formed) shall handle the disbursement of all assets of the Association.

No member, or group of members shall receive benefit from the assets.

All equipment will be sold and net proceeds donated to a non-profit organization.

All remaining cash will be donated to a non-profit organization.

Article XI
Amendments

Proposals for amendments to this Constitution and/or the Association By-laws may be submitted in writing to the Association President, or Constitution and By-Laws Committee at any time and shall be discussed at the next regular or special meeting, then shall be voted on at the next following regular, or special meeting, provided all members have been notified of the intent to amend the constitution and/or

By-Laws and to include the proposed changes. This Constitution and/or the Association By-Laws, may be amended by a majority vote of the membership present at the meeting, that are authorized to vote.

ADOPTION AND APPROVAL of the Association Constitution.

This constitution was approved and adopted at the Inaugural General Meeting of the Beaver Creek Amateur Radio Association (BCARA):

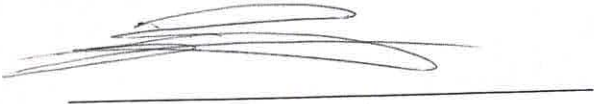
Date: 29 January 2022

JD Weiss NK7W, President

Sean Baber W5QJM, Vice President



Signed



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Seana Baber K5QLF, Secretary



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