

**ELMORE COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS**

As previously amended and further clarified
January 2021

ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of this organization shall be Elmore County Amateur Radio Club (otherwise known as ECARC), a non-profit organization.

ARTICLE II – OFFICE

The office and business address of this organization shall be the clubhouse 315 W Jackson St., Mountain Home, ID 83647.

ARTICLE III – AIMS AND PURPOSES

The aims and purpose of this organization shall be as follows:

1. To provide fellowship among its members, those who use the Amateur Radio Service, and the surrounding community.
2. To assist in the area of communications as may be requested by local law enforcement agencies, search and rescue organizations, or other civic organizations (within the scope of FCC Rules and Regulations).
3. Further purpose is to train members in proper communications, procedures and functions in accordance with FCC Rules and Regulations.
4. To promote and advance the hobby Amateur Radio.

ARTICLE IV – MEMBERSHIP

1. Membership shall be open to any person having an interest in amateur radio.
2. Membership shall consist of the following categories:
 - General – A licensed Amateur Radio operator who is current on club dues and a member in good standing, is a General Club member with voting privileges.
 - Family – Family members residing at the same address as a General member will have voting privileges if 1) they hold a valid Amateur Radio Operator license, and 2) are listed as family members on the General member's membership application.
 - Honorary – Community members who help further the aims and purposes of the ECARC. Non voting.

ARTICLE V – DUES

1. Annual dues shall be determined at the annual meeting held in December of each year, and will be paid annually.
2. Members joining after June 30 of any year will pay one-half the annual dues.

ARTICLE VI – MANAGEMENT

1. Management of ECARC shall be entrusted to the Board of Directors.
2. ECARC Board of Directors shall consist of club President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Board Member at Large.

ARTICLE VII – OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Officers:

1. Officers of this organization shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Board Member at Large, all elected for a period of one (1) year. All officers shall hold a valid Amateur Radio License.
2. All officers shall begin their official duties on the first day of January and serve for a period of one (1) year.
3. In the event of a temporary absence of a club officer, a temporary fill-in will be appointed by the President.

ARTICLE VIII – DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS

1. President: The President shall preside at all meetings of the organization, shall appoint all standing and special committees, and sign all official correspondence and documents.
2. Vice President: The Vice President shall take over the duties of the President in the event of the President being unable to fulfill the obligations of the office, and perform any other obligations assigned by the President.
3. Secretary: The Secretary shall keep minutes of all meetings and historical data of the club, notify members of club activities, and assume obligations as assigned by the President.
4. Treasurer: The Treasurer shall receive and disburse club funds as authorized by the board of directors. Such funds to be deposited in a bank or depository as approved by the club officers. The Treasurer is not authorized to expend funds in excess of \$50.00 per month, without prior approval of the club officers, and shall be accountable for these and all club expenditures at all regular monthly meetings. Treasurer will maintain current club membership roster.
5. Board Member at Large.

ARTICLE IX – ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

1. Election of officers shall be held at the 1st December meeting each year.
2. Nomination shall be opened at the 1st November meeting each year.
3. Nominations shall be made from the floor for all officers in the following sequence: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Board Member at Large.
4. Voting for each office shall be completed in the following sequence: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Board Member at Large.
5. Each officer shall be elected by a majority of the votes cast. A majority shall consist of more than fifty (50%) percent of the votes cast. Voting for President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and Board Member at Large must be done in person, absentee voting or by reliable and verifiable method.
6. A person can only hold one position at any given time.

ARTICLE X – MEETINGS

1. The organization shall hold regular meetings on the first (1st) and third (3rd) Saturday of each month, unless changed by the club officers. Meetings will be conducted under Robert's Rules of Order.
2. The meetings shall be held at a time and place designated by and approved by the board of directors. Special meetings may be called by the President or his designate, whenever necessary.

ARTICLE XI – EQUIPMENT

1. Any equipment acquired by the organization through gift or purchase, shall not be disposed of without the approval of the majority of the board of directors.
2. Dissolution and/or Disbursement: At such time as Elmore County Amateur Radio Club may be dissolved or discontinued, in accordance with Article XVI herein, the assets of the club shall be distributed only to one or more non-profit organizations supporting amateur radio.

ARTICLE XII – AMENDMENTS

1. Amendments to these bylaws and constitution may be proposed in writing at any regular business meeting for consideration and discussion.
2. Prior to the meeting where a vote will be held, a reasonable effort shall be undertaken by the ECARC club officers or their designate(s) to contact all uninformed members via telephone or e-mail, to advise them of the upcoming vote where their participation is requested.
3. If a member is unable to attend the meeting in person, they may cast an absentee vote, which shall be recorded by any club officer or his/her designate(s), and it shall count the same as an in-person vote in a voting quorum. The system(s) used for absentee voting will be left to the discretion of the Board of

Directors, but shall be by reliable and verifiable method.

4. The proposed amendment or amendments will then be voted on at the next regularly scheduled business meeting, subject to approval by a two-thirds (2/3rds) majority vote of those members present including members voting by absentee. A quorum of ½ of all voting members is required to vote on any amendments to these bylaws.

5. Votes, whether cast in person or by absentee method, shall be accepted up to the gavel of meeting adjournment, after which time voting is ended.

ARTICLE XIV – EMPLOYEES

There shall be no salaried or otherwise compensated employees of this organization. This shall not preclude reimbursement of expenses reasonably incurred by a person carrying out such duties and responsibilities properly authorized by the club officers.

ARTICLE XV – APPLICABLE STATUTES

Where this constitution or its Bylaws conflict in any way with, or fail to cover matters prescribed by the General Nonprofit Unincorporated Law, the Revenue and Taxation Code, or other provisions of the Laws of the State of Idaho, those laws shall govern and these documents shall be deemed automatically amended to conform with it.

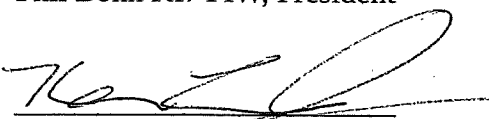
ARTICLE XVI – DISSOLUTION

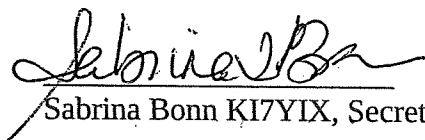
For the ECARC to be officially dissolved, for any reason, an affirmative vote by two-thirds of the members of record in good standing shall be required.

The foregoing bylaws were adopted by a two-thirds (2/3rds) majority vote of members in good standing attending the regular meeting held on 16th day of January, 2021, and supersedes any previously written bylaws and constitution.


Phil Bonn KI7YIW, President


Bill Bradshaw KF7YLF, Vice President


Ken Cunningham KJ7ISD, Treasurer


Sabrina Bonn KI7YIX, Secretary