

**LENOIR AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INC.
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CONSTITUTION**

ARTICLE I PREAMBLE

We, the membership, desiring to secure for ourselves the pleasures and benefits of the association of persons commonly interested in Amateur Radio do hereby constitute ourselves LENOIR AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INC. (hereafter referred to as the "Club") and do enact this Constitution and By-Laws as our governing law.

The objectives of this organization are:

1. Public Service to the community/Reservoir of Trained Operators in Case of Emergencies
2. Social Aspect/Fellowship
3. Promotion of interest in amateur radio communications and experimentation
4. Education of prospective amateur radio operators

The Club is a nonprofit corporation established in April 1986, incorporated in the State of North Carolina on March 26, 2008, and granted tax-exempt status under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code on September 23, 2009, by a group of amateur radio operators to promote the interests of amateur radio and provide public service communications in Caldwell and surrounding counties of North Carolina during public events, emergencies and times of disaster.

The Club is organized as an exempt organization from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future tax code.

The Club is an affiliated club of the American Radio Relay League (ARRL).

ARTICLE II MEMBERSHIP

All persons holding a valid FCC amateur radio license are eligible for membership. Membership shall be by application and acceptance as set forth in the By-Laws. Membership may not be denied because of race, creed, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, political affiliation, marital status or any other reason that would be biased or prejudicial. A member may be removed as set forth in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE III **OFFICERS**

Section 1: The officers of the Club shall be: President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Each officer shall serve a 2-year term and may be elected to any officer position except that they must sit out at least one term of their prior officer position.

Section 2: At the first election following adoption of Article III, the Club shall make a one-time adjustment without member vote to the terms of Club officers as follows:

1. The Vice President in 2023 shall assume the position of President for the one-year term 2024.

ARTICLE IV **ELECTION/REMOVAL OF OFFICERS**

Section 1: In October of each year, nominations for vacant Officer position shall be made by a nominating committee appointed by the President and/or made by a member from the floor. An individual shall have been a Club member for at least 12 continuous months to be eligible to be elected to an officer position. In addition to 12 months continuous membership, an individual must hold a valid FCC amateur radio license of no less than General to be eligible to be elected to the position of President.

Section 2: Election of officers shall be held at the regular November meeting. Vacancies shall be filled by special election at the next regular meeting following such vacancy. Elections, special or regular, may be conducted only when a quorum of five voting members are present at a regular scheduled meeting. A simple majority of the voting members is required for electing officers.

Section 3: A request for removal of an officer for cause must be detailed in writing and must be signed by at least three (3) voting members. Upon receipt by an Officer of such request, a vote will be held at the next regularly scheduled meeting following notice to the members. A simple majority vote by the voting members present at a regular scheduled meeting shall be necessary for the removal of any officer.

ARTICLE V **DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

Section 1: The President shall preside at all meetings and conduct them in accordance with the Constitution and By-Laws, sign all official documents, and perform all customary duties of the office of President. Upon expiration of the elected term, the President shall serve as a member of the Executive Committee for a period of two years.

Section 2: The Vice-President shall assume the duties of the President in the absence of the President. The Vice-President will be Chair of the Program Committee.

Section 3: The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings and attendance of all meetings, maintain the membership roll, prepare correspondence, distribute the minutes of the previous meeting and any pertinent communications to the members at each regularly scheduled meeting, maintain the Constitution and By-Laws, Articles of

Lenoir Amateur Radio Club Constitution and By-Laws; amended and adopted February 9, 2023.