

Tri-City Amateur Radio Club

September 12, 2017

The September regular meeting of the Tri-City Amateur Radio Club was called to order at 1942 by president Tim Rodgers, KC1TWR, at the American Red Cross Waterford office.

Members present were: Tim Rodgers, KC1TWR, Tina Main, N1EAT, Larry Wolfgang, WR1B, Bill Birtcher, K1EV, and Tom Scott, WA2RYV.

There was no August meeting due to TCARC's visiting RASON for their annual picnic, and therefore no August minutes.

Treasurer's report:

The Treasurer reported that the annual incorporation report and payment of \$50. was made. A motion was made, seconded and approved to reimburse the treasurer for that expense.

Tim and Tina were successful in obtaining an EIN on line to facilitate the opening of a new club account. However, when they tried to open the account at the Chelsea Groton Savings Bank, they were informed that they needed the club's certificate of incorporation, in addition to the EIN. A search of the club's records failed to locate that document. A motion was made and seconded to buy certified copy of the incorporation certificate from the Secretary of State, if necessary. The motion was unanimously approved.

Old Business:

1. the annual TCARC Auction: The helpers will be needed in all areas. WA2RYV will auctioneer as in past years and Betty Scott will operate the doughnut and coffee refreshment table. Others will have to be identified at the October meeting to fill other positions. A motion was made, seconded and approved to allocate \$100. for auction door prizes.
2. Groton Fall Festival: October 7, 10AM-4PM. Tim will discuss with Chip, KC1AUM. Due to timing, TCARC may not participate this year.
3. Non-profit status: Currently TCARC is a CT "non-stock, non-for profit" corporation, not a IRS 501C. Non-profit. Tim will reach out to an attorney to try to get a reading on the appropriateness of pursuing "non-profit" status and which of the many 501C.??? catagories would be the best fit for TCARC.

New Business:

1. Elmering: The need for followup with Tech Class graduates was discussed, including making Elmer contacts with students during the course to and tailoring Elmers to the students interests. Larry, WR1B reported that the class that he is running at Montiville has 6 students signed up.
2. Club QSL cards: The club receives QSLs from time to time addressed to W1QV, usually after field day, or other on the air-the-air activity. We have some generic SECT cards that EB printed many years ago that we can use, but it was suggested that we consider come custom cards. Tabled until next month.
3. Future meeting location for TCARC: The ARC will be relocating to the ARC Blood Center building in Norwich shortly after the TCARC November meeting. We will be able to meet at the new ARC location if the club desires. However, if the club desires to meet somewhere else, possibly a more convenient location for its members, the arrangements need to be made soon. Tabled for further discussion at the October meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas E. Scott, WA2RYV, Secretary