

Tri-City Amateur Radio Club

Minutes of the July 9, 2019 regular meeting

The July 9, 2019 regular business meeting was called to order at 1900 by club vice-president Josh Burke, KOJEB, at the American Red Cross CT/RI Chapter, T4 office, Montville, CT, with 8 members present.

Secretary's report:

The minutes of the June 2019 meeting were read and approved. (N1RMN/KC1TWR)

Treasurer's report:

The Treasurer's report was approved as presented. (K1RMR/N1LFG)

The treasurer requested authorization to pay the annual \$50 fee to the CT Secretary of the State. Approval was granted by the V.P.

Old Business:

Josh presented the outgoing president, Tim, KC1TWR, with a certificate expressing the club's appreciation for his efforts during his 3 year term.

Field Day 2019... Field day was a success and consistent with its theme, everyone had a good time and ate well. A motion was made, seconded and approved to reimburse up to an additional \$150 in F.D. expenses. (In addition to the \$100 previously authorized to Josh at the June meeting) (WA2RYV/W1FWE)

Field Day lessons learned: (1)The Ledyard Fair Ground is a tough place to erect antennas. The ground is hard, and overhead fair related power lines complicate the process. (2) To avoid confusion, there should be one designated person to deal with "external interfaces" eg, the town, other clubs, Parks and Rec, etc.

New Business:

The vice president expressed his desire to create a new Field Day committee to begin planning next years event now. Bob, N1RMN, Jerry, KC1KLW, Larry, N1LFG, and Tim, KC1TWR volunteered. Tim will be the chairman.

The vice president suggested that the club look into acquiring some more modern equipment. A discussion ensued regarding the total of the clubs equipment holdings, its age, the potential for its future use and the possibility of disposing of unneeded, surplus assets. N1RMN and K1EV will review the clubs inventory and make recommendations regarding possible acquisitions and disposals.

Josh brought up the subject of the trusteeship of the Club's FCC call sign, W1QV. Darryl, WA1DD is the current trustee, but has not been particularly active in the club and is not current in his dues. A suggestion was made to have the club president also be the W1QV trustees, and to have this function pass in turn to future presidents. A discussion ensued that lead to a motion to have the club president file papers to assume the trusteeship of W1QV for the duration of is term as president. (K1EV/W1RMN).The motion was approved unanimously.

New applications for membership have been received from Dan Erwin, KC1MKC, Jerry Morales, KC1KLW, Stan Erwin, KT1SS, and Mark Noe, KE1IU (family including his daughter, KC1IVR). All except Dan Erwins's application included dues payments, so these were accepted as members. Dan's was returned for dues payment.

The club was recently made aware of the recent death of long time amateur and former club member Dean Brown, W1YH, and has been asked by his estate to assist with the disposal of his radio equipment. K1RMN, K1EV and others will visit with the family on 7/13.

Sandy Point operation: July 20/(21 rain date), meet at Seaport Marine, Mystic. Participants discussed their plans for equipment and stations, The club's Honda generator will be used. A motion was made and seconded to allocate \$30 for miscellaneous expenses for this operation. A "scouting party" is planning to scout out the site during the week of 7/15.

The Club has been invited to the annual RASON picnic Aug 15, 6pm, at the East Great Plains Fire Station. Contact KA6PDG or W1FJW for reservations. Bring a dish to share.

The club expressed its condolences to Jim Seaton, W1FWE, for the recent death of his wife Sandi.

Upcoming Events:

Rason Fox Hunt Aug 3, detail are TBD

Niantic Bay Triathlon Aug 11, contact KC1TWR

Mystic Tarzan Brown race Nov 3

Mystic Turkey Trot Nov28.

The next regular meeting will be on August 13 at the ARC office in Montville.

The meeting was adjourned at 2054.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas E. Scott, WA2RYV

Secretary