

Tri-City Amateur Radio Club

Minutes of the June 11, 2019 regular meeting

The June 11, 2019 regular business meeting was called to order at 1930 by club president Tim Rodgers, KC1TWR, at the T4 American Red Cross office, Montville, CT, with 9 members present.

Secretary's report:

The minutes of the May 2019 meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's report:

The Treasurer's report was approved as presented.

Sue Bolen, Sr Director, CT/RI T4 American Red Cross addressed the club regarding the ARC Home Fire Safety Program. This is a continuing, nation wide, multi-year effort to educate the public about home fire safety and to provide (install) 10yr smoke detectors in residences at no cost to the residents or owners. The program has been credited with saving numerous lives across the country. Sue's presentation included a review of home fire safety procedures and an offer to install smoke detectors for TCARC members or their friends or neighbors.

Old Business:

1. 2019 Museum Ship on the Air : Tim provided a wrap up of the 2019 Museum Ships operation at the Nautilus museum. One station was located on the pier this year, but other activities on the pier interfered with its use. Three other stations were set up in the museum's parking lot. 675 contacts were logged this year and Harry, N1FAM is issuing QSLs as they are requested. Next year, we will probably forego the station on the pier.
2. Field day 2019: Field Day will be held at the Holdrige Pavilion at the Ledyard Fair Grounds. Field Day antennas were discussed. Further FD planning will be done during the next Saturday AM breakfast meeting. A motion was made and seconded to provide Josh, KOJEB with \$100 to purchase food and fuel for Field Day (W1FWE/K1EV). Tim, KC1TWR will serve as Field Day Safety Officer, Josh will be Logistics

Coordinator. FD setup will start at 0900, June 22, with on the air operation running from 1400 until 1400, June 23.

3. Sandy Point operation: Planning continued for the Sandy Point Island operation in late July. Sandy Point Island has been registered with the Islands on the Air.

New Business

1. Annual dues are due. All members are requested to complete new membership applications, either paper or online at the club website, as we are assembling a new member database. Dues for 2019-20 year will be \$10.
2. The annual Light Houses on the Air activity (August 3 this year) was briefly discussed as a possible event for a future year.
3. The club's next regular meeting will be July 9, 2019 at the American Red Cross T4 office.
4. The new slate of club officers, elected at the May meeting, were installed and will assume their duties at the conclusion of this, the June meeting. All members present expressed their thanks to Tim, KC1TWR for his hard work and leadership over the past three years.

Upcoming events: Field Day June 22/23, New London Sailfest/fireworks July 13 (the ARC can use help), Sandy Point op late July, Light Houses on the Air Aug 3,

The meeting was adjourned at 2058.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas E. Scott, WA2RYV

Secretary