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RE: Minutes of May 19, 2018 TWA Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of TWA was held on May 18th, 2018 at the American Legion hall in Tamaqua PA. Presiding was WY3K. The meeting was called to order at 19:00hrs.

The following members were present;
WY3K, KC3CRS, K3TE, K3VNN, W3OFD, KA3FUL, KB2MXV, N1HNM, KB3JD, N3HHH

A motion was made by K3TE to accept the minutes of the April 2018 meeting and second by KC3CRS.

K3VNN gave the Treasury report, he secured the documents from the past treasurer KB3AYY and gave the following balances as per the paper documents (he is awaiting access to the actual bank accounts to confirm these numbers). $1005.75 in Checking, $175 for 5013c, $297 in Grove maintenance, $165 Repeater Fund, $50 petty cash.

Committees:
ARES County EC: KC3CRS
Nothing to report.

VE Session: WY3K
The next VE session will be June 2nd at the Municipal building in Tamaqua.

Schuylkill County Emergency and Traffic Net Manager: KC3CRS
Nothing to report.

Roundtable Net: K3TE
The net had 28 check-ins for the month of May. KB2MXV submitted a modified version of the Round Table Net Pre-Amble that he will test on the next net. The June net controllers will be K3TE, KC3CRS, K3VNN, and KC3LFP.

Application for membership: WY3K
One new application from N1HNM.

Technical Committee Chairman: K3TE referred to KB2MXV
The UHF tower at MVGC has been assembled and operational at 45'. All repeaters are linked. The UHF repeater controller had the RTC replaced, and the 27 machine will also have its RTC replaced. There is some interference on the UHF frequency that KB2MXV will do some further testing to see if the GMRS repeater at the MVGC site is conflicting with the UHF operation.

Antenna Crew: KA3FUL
Nothing to report.

Club Bulletin - Splatter: K3TE
Will be out by the end of the month.

TWA Website: KB2MXV
Updates to the website include Meeting minutes and agenda items, Audio archives of the roundtable nets.

Club Archives: K3TE
Nothing to report

Old Business & Correspondence:
KB2MXV submitted a list of equipment and replacement costs for the MV UHF site for insurance purposes. K3TE will create a list of equipment for the 49 and 27 repeaters. Insurance cost via the ARRL is $1.40 per $100 of equipment replacement costs.

WY3K reported that James Munley KB3FET has all 5013c forms ready to go. The filing fee is $400 and $325 has been collected so far by K3VNN. K3VNN will submit all financial records once he has access to the bank accounts.

WY3K is securing signatures for K3VNN and KB3AYY so the bank account can be transferred to the new Treasurer K3VNN. WY3K will also be on the account.

KC3CRS will measure for a new tarp for the Grove, and perform the yearly maintenance on the lawn mower. He will submit receipts for reimbursement.

K3TE advised that antenna setup for field day will be June 16th and a rain date of June 20th.

New Business:
A motion to approve the application from N1HNM was made by KB3JD and second by K3TE.

A grove work party is schedule for June 4th to prepare for the opening of the grove in Barnesville.

A motion was made by K3TE to keep the 2018-19 dues the same from the previous year, second by KC3CRS.

A motion was made by K3TE to change the 49 PL tone from 123.0 to 131.8 for consistency with the other TWA repeaters, second by KB2MXV. K3TE will send an email to ARCC letting them know our intention.

A motion was made by KB3JD to have K3TE serve as Interim-Secretary, until an official resignation is made by KC3DSX, Second by N3HHH.

K3TE has resigned as the editor of Splatter. May will be the last Splatter edition, as it will revert to an online version only called “What’s Happening” that can be found on the W3TWA.org website.

WY3K recommended that the club secure a PO Box so mail can be received in a timely matter. KB3JD made a motion to accept and second by K3TE. WY3K will open the PO Box account and will pay for the first 6 months.

KB2MXV made a motion to install a second repeater box at the MVGC site to house the GMRS repeater and possible future DMR repeater, second by KC3CRS.

Motion to Adjourn made K3TE and seconded by W3OFD