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December 8, 2018

## *Minutes of December 8, 2018 Meeting*

The Annual Christmas Party meeting of TWA was held on December 8, 2018 at the Tamaqua Train Station 18 North Railroad Street, Tamaqua. Presiding was WY3K. The meeting was called to order at 3:09 PM.

## The following members were present

KC3CRS, KC3MIU, W3OFD, KB3ASZ, KB3AYY, KB2MXV, WY3K, N3OGG, KA3FUL, N3HHH, N3LHM, KB3CFV, WA3WIJ, K3VNN

## Previous Meeting Minutes: K3TE

Motion was made by:

1. WA3WIJ
2. KB2MXV

To accept the minutes of the November 2018 meeting, motion passed.

## Treasurer's Report: K3VNN

1. **Checking account : $919.70**
2. **20 members are paid for the year**
3. **Donations:**
4. **Grove Maintenance: $50.00**
5. **Repeater Fund: $888.69**
6. **PayPal: $45.00**
7. **Dues Collected:**
8. **50/50: $0**
9. **(Expenses): (200.00)**

**Total: $1502.16**

Motion was made by:

1: KC3CRS

2: W3OFD

To accept the Treasurer's report, motion passed

## Committee Reports:

### Antenna Crew: KA3FUL
Nothing to report

### ARES County EC: KC3CRS
Nothing to report

### VE Session: WY3K
We are registered with the ARRL and we have booked the Borough Hall building for the following dates in 2019:
April 6th, June 1st, August 3rd, and November 2nd

### Schuylkill County Emergency and Traffic Net Manager: KC3CRS
Nothing to report at this time

### Roundtable Net: K3TE
January's Control operators are:

January 2nd: WY3K

January 9th: KC3CRS – Also, we will have an HF NET immediately following the Roundtable NET.

January 16th:

January 23rd: KB2MXV

January 30th: K3TE

Members are encouraged to check-in. You can find the list of repeater frequencies at www.w3twa.org

*For the month of January the Roundtable NET will start at 8PM*

| Month | Number of Weeks | Number of Check-Ins |
|---|---|---|
| January | 5 | 63 |
| February | 4 | 32 |
| March | 3 | 21 |
| April | 4 | 25 |
| May | 5 | 41 |
| June | 4 | 43 |
| July | 4 | 28 |
| August | 5 | 31 |
| September | 4 | 21 |
| October | 5 | 14 |
| November | 4 | 23 |
| December | 1 | 8 |
| Total | 48 | 350 |

### Application for membership: K3TE
Robert Pickett – KC3MIU – Technician

After review by the members present, Motion by: N3OGG and KB3AYY to accept KC3MIU, Motion passed

### Technical Committee Chairman: K3TE
Frank replaced the power supply harness on the Motorola link radio. It now has constant 12 volts so if the power goes down in Tamaqua the link radio will come back on. The amplifier is fixed. K3TE replaced the fan. Also, after some trial and error I was able to get all the ports at the proper voltage on Tx and Rx on the controllers. The controller manual is poorly written about tuning.

## Online Newsletter: "What's Happening": KB2MXV
Up to date

## TWA Website: KB2MXV
Up to date

## Club Archives: K3TE
Nothing to report – this will be deleted from the agenda starting in January 2019

## Old Business & Correspondence:
1. Liability insurance for 2019 was paid by Kevin. Insurance Certificates should be sent to Mountain Valley, ABC High-rise Building, Tamaqua Borough, American Legion, and the Schroeder family.
2. By-Laws have been updated. If anyone needs a hard copy or an electronic copy please email Tom Lesisko (tlesisko@ptd.net). They are posted on our webpage. I would like to thank members that gave their input and many "rewrites" to get the by-laws to where they are at today. Thanks to all! Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

## New Business:
1. I did get an email from Ralph Brandt; he is the EPA "Clubs Coordinator" from ARRL. If anyone wants a copy please let me know.
2. Installation of officers for 2019 – see picture
3. Christmas Cards have been sent out.
4. Date(s) for quarterly HF NET – we will be running an HF NET on January 9th following the Roundtable NET. Tom Smith KC3CRS will be the Net Controller.
5. Moving the Wednesday night NET and/or new time? – For the month of January, the Roundtable NET will be moved to 8PM.
6. Phone chain – in case of emergencies. This should be updated if we need to get a hold of people. After discussion, we will move this to the January meeting agenda.
7. Appoint a committee to look into what we would need as a club to provide emergency communications (shelter, generator, radio(s), and antenna) just in case we get asked what would you need? – After a discussion, we will move this to the January meeting agenda.
8. Appoint a committee to look into technology and see what we would need to get our system updated? After a discussion we will move this to the January meeting agenda.
9. Membership needs to be looked at for 2019.
10. Since Nativity location may not happen does anyone have a contact at The Good Samaritan Hospital in Pottsville? I will contact Jim Munley to see if he has any contacts for this location.

## Motion to adjourn at: 3:39 PM by:
1. KB3AYY
2. N3OGG

Minutes prepared and submitted by – K3TE

## Officers for 2019



Pictured above from left to right: Jeff Coleman N3JWC Activities Manager, Tom Lesisko K3TE Secretary, Kevin Marchetti K3VNN Treasure, Bill Dale WY3K President, and Tom Smith KC3CRS Vice President. Missing from the photo is Jim Munley KB3FET Public Information Officer. Congratulations everyone and have a great year! The above picture was taken at the 2018 Christmas Party held at the Tamaqua Train Station.