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June 21, 2019

Minutes from the June 21, 2019 Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of TWA was held on June 21st 2019 at the Schroeder's Family Farm 555 Tuscarora Mountain Road, Barnesville. Presiding was WY3K. The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM.

The following members were present

WY3K, KC3CRS, N2BC, KB3FET, KB2MXV, W3OFD, KB3CFV, KB3AYY, N3HHH, WA3WIJ, K3KAP, KB3JD, KC3DXS, KA3FUL, K3TE, and two guests KB3ASZ - Kelly, and WR1B - Larry

Previous Meeting Minutes: K3TE.

Motion was made by:

1. KB3CFV
2. KC3CRS

To accept the minutes of the May 17, 2019 meeting, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: K3VNN absent – given by K3TE

Quarter 2 2019	April	May	June
Checking Account	$728.33	$734.33	$734.33
Donations to TWA	$0.00	$0.00	$127.00
Grove Maintenance	$50.00	$50.00	$50.00
Repeater Fund	$865.57	$871.57	$871.57
PayPal	$87.50	$87.50	$87.50
Dues Collected	$0.00	$15.00	$30
Monthly Meeting Donation	$12.00 Money collected will be carried over to May	Money collected will be carried over to June	$12.00
Ball Drop Donation		$10.00	$50.00
(Expenses)		(52.99)	(64.00) PO Box
			(165.41) Insurance
(Expenses Total)	$0.00	(52.99)	(231.06) Batteries
Total	$1731.40	$1758.40	$1501.93
Active Members Paid	22	23	36 + 2Life & 1EMA

There are currently 49 members on the roster along with County EMA Director

Motion was made by:

1: KB3FET
2: KB3AYY

To accept the Treasurer's report for June 2019, motion passed

Committee Reports:

Antenna Crew: KA3FUL

Nothing

ARES County EC: KC3CRS

Nothing

VE Session: WY3K

Six people took the exam on Saturday, 5 passed. Congratulation letters were sent to candidates. Also, they were all invited to Field Day.

VE Test Sessions for 2019		
Month	Time	Location
~~April 6th~~	~~9AM~~	Tamaqua Borough Hall **Rear** of 320 E. Broad St.
~~June 1st~~	~~9AM~~	
August 3rd	9AM	
November 2nd	9AM	

Schuylkill County Emergency and Traffic Net Manager: KB3FET

Date	Check-In's	NET Ended	Total
April 2nd	No NET	8:00PM	0
April 9th	W3OFD, KB3JD, KC3CRS, VE3HOH, N3SUR, KB3AYY, KB3FET	8:14PM	7
April 16th	KB3JD, N3AS, K3ALE, W3TKY, KB3DTC, KB3FET	8:11PM	6
April 23rd	KB3DTY, K3TE, W3TKR, KB3DYE, KB3FET	8:12PM	5
April 30th	No NET	8:00PM	0
May 7th	KB3JD, KB2MXV, KC3CRS, KB3FET	8:11PM	4
May 14th	K3TE, KB3DTC, W3TKR, KC3CRS, KB3FET	8:11PM	5
May 21st	Election Day- No Net		0
May 28th	KB3FET	8:04PM	1
June 4th	KC3CRS, N3TQM, KB3FET,	8:05PM	3
June 11th	KB3GTY, K3TE, KC3CRS, N3OGG, KB3DTC, KB3FET	8:11PM	6
June 18th	KB3JD, K3TE, WR1B, W3OFD, KB3FET	8:11PM	5
		Total	42

If you have a minute or two, tune in to 145.370 at 8PM. Jim would love to hear from you.

Roundtable NET at 8PM: K3TE

June's NET Control Operators are:

July 3rd: K3TE

July 10th: KC3CRS

July 17th: K3KAP

July 24th: KB3AYY

July 29th: KB2MXV

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

Month 2019	Number of Weeks	Number of Check-Ins
January	5	40
February	4	28
March	4	29
April	4	38
May	5	41
June	3	27
July		
July		
August		
September		
October		
November		
December		
Total	25	203

HF Net follows the Roundtable NET: KC3CRS

June 12th: Started on 10 meters 28.360 – 5 check-ins (N3OGG, KC3CRS, W3OFD, KB2MXV, and K3TE)

Application for membership: K3TE

Tom Hoban submitted an application, after a discussion member accepted his application for membership. Motion by:

1. N3HHH 2. KB3FET

Motion passed. Tom was absent and an email was sent Friday night congratulating him.

Technical Committee -K3TE

1. Follow up on batteries – Two Excide Deep Cycle Marine Batteries were purchased and installed on Saturday. I would like to thank members who donated money, time, and supplies to get Mountain Valley on battery backup.



2. While on battery backup, Mountain Valley will give a new curtesy tone and announcement until AC is back.
3. K3TE noted that we might be getting RFI on Mountain Valley. He will talk with Jim- WA3WIJ and see what we would need to put on the AC line to eliminate it.

Bulletin Board Website: KB2MXV

Up to date

TWA Website: KB2MXV

Up to date

Old Business & Correspondence:

1. Update on mass text messaging, Frank KB2MXV – it is a working progress, problem with people on consumer cellular getting text messages.
2. Update on Good Samaritan Hospital, Tom K3TE – Left a message for John Brobst on Thursday 6/20 @ 11:10AM. Waiting…
3. Update on grant application(s), Jim KB3FET – Nothing yet
4. Update on APRS, ED KB3AYY – Ed has it active at Mountain Valley. 144.390
5. Work party June 15th update – Thanks to N3OGG, N3HHH, KB2MXV, WA3WIJ, N2BC, and K3TE for helping prep the grove for Field Day.
6. Grove Maintenance update, Tom KC3CRS – working on getting table top replaced.
7. Field Day, last minute items – Andy will have the turkey ready for noon. Come and enjoy the day.
8. I sent an email to Bob N3RZI. I did see Bob the next day (Saturday) he did get the email and now is waiting to hear from the presenter.

New Business:

1. Congratulation emails were sent to the candidates that passed their test on June 1st.
2. Received an email from N3RZI, the EC of Susquehanna County Lee Parsons, N3LPJ died in a tower accident

Good for the Order:

1. Schuylkill ARES NET Tuesday 8PM.
2. Thank you to all that have checked into the Roundtable NET, Wednesday's 8PM

With their being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn at 7:53PM by

1. N2BC
2. KB3JD

Motion passed

Minutes prepared and submitted by K3TE