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September 20, 2019

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Minutes from September 20, 2019 Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of TWA was held on September 20, 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, KB3FET, KB2MXV, N3OGG, KB3AYY, N3HHH, KC3NGO, N3JJD, WR1B, KC3NPH, and W3OFD

Previous Meeting Minutes: K3TE.

Minutes were distributed via email; a motion was made by:

1. N3OGG
2. N3HHH

To accept the minutes of the August 16, 2019 meeting, motion passed.

Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: KB2MXV
See Last Two Pages

If anyone wants to see the bank statement email me.
Motion was made by:

1. KC3NPH	1. W3OFD
2. KB3AYY	2. N3OGG

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

Committee Reports:

Antenna Crew: KA3FUL
Absent

ARES County EC: KC3CRS
N3RZI sent a letter of recommendation to the Schuylkill County Commissioners in favor of the Pottsville repeater project.

VE Session: WY3K
Last one will be on November 2nd

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

Schuylkill Emergency Services NET Totals 2019			
1st Quarter 2019	2nd Quarter 2019	3rd Quarter 2019	4th Quarter 2019
Unknown	50	92	

Date	Check-In's Started at 8:00PM	NET Ended	Total
July 2nd	N3HHH, KC3NPG, KB3GTY, K3TE, N3HHH, W30FD, KB3FET	8:12PM	7
July 9th	KB3VXB, KC3NPG, KB3GTY, KB3JD, WR1B, K3TE, N3OGG, KB3FET	8:14PM	8
July 16th	KB3JD, KC3CRS, WB2JAY, KC3NPG, N3TQM, KB3FET	8:22PM	6
July 23rd	KB3GTY, K3TE, KB3MXV, KB3VXB, N3TVV, N3OGG, N3TQM, W3TKR, KB3FET	8:20PM	9
July 30th	KB3GTY, KC3NPG, KB2MXV, KB3JD, N3OGG, K3TE, KB3FET	8:14PM	7
August 6th	N3HHH, KB3GTY, WB2JAY, KB3JD, N3OGG, N3TQM, KC3NPG, K3TE, KB3FET	8:15PM	9

August 13th	KB3GTY, KC3NPG, KC3MWO, KB3JD, WB3DYE, WB2JAY, KC3CRS, KB3FET	8:14PM	8
August 20th	KB3AYY, KB2JAY, KC3NPH, KC3NWO, KC3GKO, KC3CRS	8:22PM	6
August 27th	KB2MXV, KB3GTY, N3AS, N3OGG, KC3NPG, KB3JD, KC3CRS, KB3VXB KB3FET	8:21PM	9
September 3rd	KB3MXV, KC3NPG, KB3GTY, KC3NWN, N3TQM, WB3DYE, VE3HOH, KB3FET	8:19PM	8
September 10th	KB3GTY, KC3NPG, KB3JD, KB2MXV, WR1B, KB3FET	8:15PM	6
September 17th	KB2MXV, KB3GTY, KC3NPG, WB3DYE, N3TQM, KC3CRS, KC3NGP, WR1B, KB3FET	8:19PM	9
		Total	92

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: KB2MXV

October's NET Control Operators are:

October 2nd: KB3AYY

October 9th: KC3CRS

October 16th: WY3K

October 23rd: K3TE

October 30th: 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	4	50
July	5	42
August	4	40
September	3	27
October		
November		
December		
Total	38	335

HF Net follows the Roundtable NET: KC3CRS

Our next HF NET will be held on October 9th following our 8PM Net

Application for Regular membership: K3TE

Tony Scrivani, KC2MWJ – Tony is a long-time amateur radio operator and lives in New Ringgold. After a discussion, a motion by:

1. KB2MXV
2. W3OFD

To accept into the organization. Motion carried.

Technical Committee -KB2MXV

1. We need to purchase the following antenna supplies for Avenues:
    a. DB224e 138 to 150MHz dipole antenna - $650.00
    b. Y4303 430 to 450MHz Yagi antenna - $138.24
    c. LDF4-50 ½ hardline- $2.02/foot

d. L4TNM-PSA, N-Connectors for LDF4 (2) $19.32
e. LMR400NMNM-35- 35' of LMR 400 with N-Male ends- $53.68

The above totals $931.68 and is ALL new commercial grade equipment. We are looking for people to help us get this project off the ground! WY3K – $200, K3TE – $200,

2. We will still need the mast ($100), and 3 chimney clamps ($75), plus installation.
3. Frank, KB3MXV already purchased 3 Motorola radios for the repeater and link. He also has donated an Astron power supply that we use at the 27 Site. This also has battery backup.
4. Pete gave Frank a cabinet and we will use it for the repeater.
5. WA3WIJ and KB2MXV visited the Mountain Valley repeater and did a walk around to make sure no tree or branch will cause a problem this year.

Bulletin Board Website: KB2MXV

Up to date

TWA Website: KB2MXV

Up to date

License Expiration Notice: KB2MXV

N3HHH – 4/3/2020

Old Business & Correspondence:

1. Update on Schuylkill County Commissioners Office, KB3FET
2. Update on Technician License class, K3TE, absent
3. Update on Avenues, KB2MXV – Need donations to get the antenna system installed.
4. Update on trailer, K3VNN
5. Are we going to have a stand for Heritage Day? No, some members thought the money that people used to purchase food should just donate that money to the repeater fund so we don't have to have a stand.
6. Update on September picnic – moved to the meeting tonight.
7. Tear down and packing up the grove date? Sometime in October
8. Update on Schuylkill County Parade, KB2MXV
9. Insurance update from local company: KB3FET

New Business:

1. Fundraiser to local businesses. See photo to right -KB2MXV
2. How about selling shirts with TWA on it at Heritage Day?
3. Purchasing "Communication Vests" for new members, KB2MXV
4. Thanks to Jim KB3FET, WY3K, KB2MXV, KB3FET, and K3TE met with Schuylkill County Commissioners on Wednesday September 18th and proposed the Pottsville repeater site to them. The meeting lasted 20 minutes and we will have to wait to see what the outcome is.
5. Thanks to Tom KC3CRS for cutting the grass. The place looks marvelous!
6. A motion by N3OGG and 2nd by KC3NPH to purchase a radio and power supply. Motion passed.

7. Thanks to KB2MXV, for video on ARES Connect.

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, we are always looking for NET Control Operators.

With their being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn at 8:15PM by

1. WA3WIJ
2. W3OFD

Motion passed

Minutes prepared and submitted by K3TE

Monthly Totals Detailed: 8/16/2019 Thru 9/19/2019

General Fund	Date	Pay To	Memo		Deposit	Withdrawal	Check #
	8/16/2019	KC3NWO	2019 Club Dues		$2.50	$0.00	
	8/17/2019	KB3ACD	2019 Club Dues		$20.00	$0.00	
	8/17/2019	KB3FET	2019 Club Dues		$7.50	$0.00	
	8/17/2019	KC3DXS	2019 Club Dues		$10.00	$0.00	
	8/18/2019	General Fund	Donation		$2.00	$0.00	
	9/8/2019	KC2MWJ	2019 Club Dues		$7.50	$0.00	
			General Fund Totals:	*$49.50*	**$49.50**	**$0.00**	

Repeater Fund	Date	Pay To	Memo		Deposit	Withdrawal	Check #
	8/16/2019	KB2MXV	Donation		$212.00	$0.00	
	8/16/2019	Repeater Fund	Pottsville Repeater		$0.00	$212.00	
	8/17/2019	KC3NPG	Donation		$5.00	$0.00	
	8/17/2019	KC3NWO	Donation		$15.00	$0.00	
	8/18/2019	Repeater Fund	Donation		$2.00	$0.00	
			Repeater Fund Totals:	*$22.00*	**$234.00**	**$212.00**	

Report Totals:	$283.50	$212.00
Difference:	$71.50	
Account Balance:	$1,510.96	
Checking:	$1,459.46	
Cash On Hand:	$51.50	

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Activity summary

Beginning balance on 8/1	$1,416.96
Deposits/Credits	35.31
Withdrawals/Debits	- 0.31
Ending balance on 8/31	**$1,451.96**
Average ledger balance this period	$1,431.63

Account number: **8404743810**
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