TAMAQUA WIRELESS ASSOCIATION INC.

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March 19, 2020

OFFICERS:

President: Bill Dale WY3K (bdalejr@ptd.net)
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Minutes from the February Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of TWA was held on March 19, 2020 on the air and online using the Telegram app. Presiding was WY3K. The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM.

The following members were present online and on the air:

WY3K, KC3CRS, WA3WIJ, KB3AYY, KB2MXV, K3KAP, W3OFD, KC3NPG, and K3TE

Previous Meeting Minutes: K3TE

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

1. WA3WIJ
2. KB2MXV

To accept the minutes of the February 20, 2020 meeting, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: KB2MXV

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

1. KB3AYY
2. KC3CRS

To accept the Treasurer's report for February 20, 2020. Motion passed

The membership fee for 2020 has been set at $25.00. Please make arrangements with Frank, KB2MXV at kb2mxv@gmail.com or find him on our repeater network, or attend a meeting.
Thank you for your support of TWA and amateur radio. 22 members are paid for the 2020.

Committee Reports:

Activities Manager: K3KAP

EPA Section Convention cancelled, Dayton Hamfest is cancelled, Governor Wolfe shut down the State this past evening. Our monthly Breakfast will be cancelled until further notice.

ARES County EC: KC3CRS

Nothing to report

Finance Committee Report: KB3FET

Absent

VE Session: WY3K

Due to the virus, April 4th is cancelled. ARRL was informed. Also, the borough was informed that TWA will not hold any meetings or test until this virus has past

VE Test Sessions for 2020		
Month	Time	Location
~~April 4th~~	9AM	Tamaqua Borough Hall **Rear** of 320 E. Broad St.
June 6th	9AM	
August 1st	9AM	
November 7th	9AM	

Schuylkill County Emergency and Traffic Net Manager: KB3FET

Absent, WY3K gave the report

Schuylkill Emergency Services NET Totals 2020			
1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter
83			

Date	Check-In's Started at 8:00PM	NET Ended	Total
January 7th	KB3GTY, N3TB, KB2MXV, N3TQM, KC3CRS, WR1B, KB3AYY, K3TE, W3BAS, KB3FET – NET Control	8:18PM	10
January 14th	KB3GTY, KC3CRS, KB3AYY, WR1B, W3XJW, KB3FET – NET Control	8:17PM	6
January 21st	KB3GTY, KC3CRS, N30GG, KB3AYY, W3BAS, KB3FET – NET Control	8:11PM	6
January 28th	N3XJW, KC3CRS, WN3LIF, WR1B, AB3ZG, KB3GAV, K3TE, KB3GTY, KB3FET-Net Control	8:19PM	9

February 4th	KB3GTY, N3OGG, WR1B, WB3LUJ, KB3AYY, KB2MXV, KC3CRS, KB3FET- Net Control	8:12PM	8
February 11th	KB3GTY, N3OGG, WR1B, WB2JAY, W3BAS, N3JJD, KC3CRS, KB3FET - Net Control	8:18PM	8
February 18th	KB3GTY, KB3VXB, N3JJD, KB2MXV, WR1B, W3BAS, KB3FET- Net Control	8:13PM	7
February 25th	KB3GTY, KB2MXV, N3OGG, K3TE, W3BAS, N3TBB, KB3VXB, KB3FET - Net Control	8:17PM	8
March 3rd	N3JJD, WR1B, KC3CRS, N3OGG, KB3FET - Net Control	8:13PM	5
March 10th	KB3GTY, KB3VXB, KC3CRS, N3TBB, N3TB, KB3FET Net Control	8:14PM	6
March 17th	WB2JAY, KB3GTY, KC3NPG, N3JJD, KB2MXV, K3TE, W3BAS, KC3CRS, WR1B, KB3FET Net Control	8:21PM	10
March 24th			
March 31st			
April 7th			
		Total	83

. 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

April's NET Control Operators are:

April 1st: Ed, KB3AYY

April 8th: Tom, KC3CRS

April 15th: Karen, K3KAP

April 22nd: Rich, W3OFD

April 29th: Tom, K3TE

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

Month 2020	Number of Weeks	Number of Check-Ins
January	5	42
February	4	37
March	4	29
April	5	
May	4	
June	4	
July	5	
August	4	
September	5	
October	4	
November	4	
December	5	
Total	52	108

HF NET follows the Roundtable NET: KC3CRS

No report

Application for Regular Membership: K3TE

Two applications for Social Membership: 1 Don Spivak and 2 Don Spivak Jr. after review, a motion by 1. K3KAP and 2nd by W3OFD to approve their membership.
Motion passed.

Technical Committee -KB2MXV

1. The Technical Committee met at McDonald's on Wednesday March 11th to discuss the upcoming repeater site at Pottsville. On a recommendation from the Technical Committee to use Proposal # 1 to meet our requirements at Avenues.
2. KB2MXV asked the members to approve the recommendation from the Technical Committee. After a brief discussion. On a motion by 1: N3OGG and 2nd by: KB3AYY to approve Proposal # 1 at Avenues in Pottsville to install the antenna system. Motion passed.

Proposal 1

1. Supply and install mount on chimney, install 2 antennas and one cable per antenna and three banding supports. Paint all mounting apparatuses to match chimney.
2. Lift and operator- $900
3. Labor - $900
4. Mount and cable support- $400
   Total -$2200 – originally, I budgeted on $1272 (-$928.00)

Proposal 2

1. Supply and install mount on chimney, install 2 antennas and one cable per antenna and three banding supports. Paint all mounting apparatuses to match chimney.
2. Crane is 200/hour with 6 hours minimum
3. Labor @ 175/hour/man (2-man Job) 6 hour minimum
4. Mount and supports- $500
5. Estimate is based on job completing in 6 hours portal to portal
   1200- crane
   2100 Labor
   500 parts
   Total -$3800 – originally, I budgeted on $1272 (-$2528.00)

TWA Website & Bulletin Board: KB2MXV

Up to date

License Expiration Notice: KB2MXV

Andy – N3HHH Expires soon

Old Business & Correspondence:

1. Update on Schuylkill County Commissioners Office: KB3FET
2. Bylaws update K3TE – Distributed to members present at a meeting. If you want a paper copy email me and I will send it to you if you cannot make a meeting.
3. Snayberger Grant update KB3FET – Applied for the grant on February 29th
4. PP&L Community Grant update K3TE – Grant was submitted on March 1st.
5. Advertising on Cable – Community Bulletin Board: KB2MXV
6. Advertising at local business – ARRL handouts
7. Boy Scout Merit Badge KB3CFV, Ron did call me and said the Schroeder's are fine with hosting the Merit Badge and possible sleepover.
8. Update on Boy Scouts KB3CFV – due to the Corona Virus outbreak, this will be on our agenda when we have our face to face club meeting.
9. Club jacket update KB3FET – K3TE gave a report on jackets. See last page(s)

10. Packet Service update K3KAP - due to the Corona Virus outbreak, this will be on our agenda when we have our face to face club meeting.
11. Monthly breakfast report W3OFD - 8 people and a guest attended our breakfast social on March 1st at the White Birch Golf Course.
12. Port-A-Potty update for the grove K3TE and KB3CFV- due to the Corona Virus outbreak, this will be on our agenda when we have our face to face club meeting.
13. Work party update for Mountain Valley WA3WIJ - due to the Corona Virus outbreak, this will be on our agenda when we have our face to face club meeting.

New Business:

1. Club Jacket info – KB3FET, K3TE gave a report, sent Jacket picture to members. KB3AYY said he will look into it also.
2. Sympathy cards sent to Mr. & Mrs. Deem, Kevin Marchetti, and Schuylkill County Commissioners

Good for the Order:

1. Schuylkill ARES NET Tuesday 8PM.
2. TWA Roundtable NET Wednesday 8PM
3. Looking for NET Control Operators. You will only work once a month!
4. Our next regularly scheduled meeting will be April 16th, Thursday 7PM (weather permitting and virus permitting.) at the Municipal Building, 320 E. Broad Street Tamaqua. If we are still on lock-down, we will have our meeting over the air and on-line. If you would like to participate on-line contact Frank, kb2mxv@gmail.com for him to guide you through the process. We look forward to seeing you or hearing from you next month.

With their being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn at 7:30PM by:

1. KB2MXV
2. K3KAP

Motion passed
Minutes prepared and submitted by K3TE

Wells Fargo Business Choice Checking

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Activity summary

Beginning balance on 2/1	$1,626.60
Deposits/Credits	221.50
Withdrawals/Debits	- 0.00
Ending balance on 2/29	**$1,848.10**
Average ledger balance this period	$1,702.97

Account number: **8404743810**

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Pennsylvania account terms and conditions apply

For Direct Deposit use
Routing Number (RTN): 031000503

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Membership Update:

W3TWA Members Roster By Callsign

CALLSIGN	Name	CLASS	Address	City, State Zipcode	Email	Mobile Phone	Home Phone
AB3ZG	Matz, John	Extra	24 Woodlawn Dr	Schuylkill Haven, PA 17972	jmatz@co.schuylkill.pa.us	5705278048	5705935606
K3KAP	Putt, Karen	Extra	98 New Philadelphia Rd	Kaska, PA 17959	K3KAP@yahoo.com	570-617-4418	
K3ROS	Shanoskie, Ross	Technician	620 Hobart Street APT 5	Ashland, PA 17921	ross317@hotmail.com		
K3TE	Lesisko, Tom	Extra	134 Archery Club Road	New Ringgold, PA 17960	tlesisko@ptd.net	570-527-0751	570-386-3506
K3VNN	Marchetti, Kevin	Extra	453 East Market St	Pottsville, PA 17901	k3vnn.73@gmail.com	570-449-9274	
KB2MXV	D'Amato, Frank	Extra	18 Pear Street	Barnesville, PA 18214	kb2mxv@gmail.com	570-778-9492	
KB3ACD	Sheganoski, Edward	Technician	100 S Main St Apt 702	Shenandoah, PA 17976		5705901937	
KB3AYY	Boerner, Ed	General	210 Penn St	Tamaqua, PA 18252	kb3ayy@kb3ayy.com	570-778-2322	
KB3CFV	Creitz, Ronald	Extra	124 Pitt St	Tamaqua, PA 18252	kb3cfv@gmail.com	484-629-4780	
KB3FET	Munley, James J.	Extra	PO Box 78	Lost Creek, PA 17946	jjmunley1@gmail.com	570-462-3683	
KC2MWJ	Scrivani, Tony	General	68 Angel Drive	New Ringgold, PA 17960	kc2mwj@arrl.net	8562876949	
KC3AMN	Padfield, Dean	Technician	205 South 2nd St	St Clair, PA 17970		570-527-0487	
KC3CEY	Breiner Jr., Walter	General	348 W White Bear Dr	Summit Hill, PA 18250	breiner@ptd.net		
KC3CRS	Smith, Tom	General	68 Sunny Drive	Mary D, PA 17952	tswizard@pa.metrocast.net	570-225-1606	
KC3CRT	Snyder, Kyle	General	492 Blue Mtn Drive	New Ringgold, PA 17960	kyle.snyder17960@gmail.com	4844641320	
KC3DXS	Shellhamer, Jim	Extra	110 Pitt Street	Tamaqua, PA 18252	kc3dxs@ptd.net	570-590-4351	
KC3GPG	Osenbach, Dave	General	12 Log Lane	New Ringgold, PA 17960	ozzieselectric@gmail.com		
KC3IYX	Bloor, Bob	General	6 N Greco Dr	Drums, PA 18222	rbloor9127@gmail.com		
KC3LFP	Longenberger, Brian	Technician	14 Maple Ave	Barnesville, PA 18214	blong1977@yahoo.com	570-640-1121	
KC3MIU	Pickett, Robert	Technician	258 W Cottage Ave	Tamaqua, PA 18252	bobpickettsr@gmail.com	570-205-1003	
KC3NGO	Fallon, Daniel	Technician	313 Market St	Port Carbon, PA 17965	9balljeeper@gmail.com		
KC3NPG	Hoban, Tom	General	184 Claremont Ave	Tamaqua, PA 18252	thoban@cleo.com	570-581-1234	
KC3NPH	Kralik, Glenn	Extra	304 W. Bertsch St	Lansford, PA 18232	glennkralik67@gmail.com		570-317-8673
KC3NPI	Smell, John	Extra	137 First St.	Coledale, PA 18218	dt466@ptd.net		570-645-5715
KC3NWO	Hoban, Tara	Technician	184 Claremont Ave	Tamaqua, PA 18252	hob7419@gmail.com	570-778-4389	

Monday, March 16, 2020 *Report prepared by Treasurer: Frank C. D'Amato - KB2MXV* Page 1 of 2

If anyone wants to see the full list email me @ tlesisko@ptd.net and I will supply you one.

Club Jacket info thanks to Jim Munley:

