TAMAQUA WIRELESS ASSOCIATION INC.

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July 21, 2022

OFFICERS:

President: Bill Dale WY3K
Vice President: Ed Boerner KB3AYY
Activities Manager: Karen Putt K3KAP
Public Information Officer: Jim Munley KB3FET
Treasurer: Jim Munley KB3FET
Secretary: Tom Lesisko K3TE

TRUSTEES:	MISC. CONTACTS:
1. Tom Lesisko K3TE	**Web Host:** Frank D'Amato KB2MXV
2. Karen Putt K3KAP	**Webmaster:** Tim Ferrell W3DFX

Minutes from our July Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of TWA was held on July 21, 2022, at the Owl Creek Lower Reservoir Dam, Tamaqua. Presiding was WY3K. The meeting was called to order at 6:58PM.

The following members were present for the meeting:

WY3K, N3OGG, KB3FET, K3KAP, KB3AYY, WA3JDQ, KC3CRS, W3DFX, KB2MXV, KC3RWX, and K3TE

Previous Meeting Minutes: WY3K

Minutes were distributed via email and reviewed, after a discussion, on a motion by:

1. N3OGG
2. KB3AYY

To accept the minutes of our June 16, 2022, meeting. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: KB3FET

Donations to club - $97.00 lock at MV and $107.59 for food at field day, total = $204.59 see attachment for balance

If anyone wants to see the entire bank statement email Jim Munley, his email is below
Motion was made by:

1. W3DFX
2. N3OGG

To accept the Treasurer's report for July 21, 2022, motion passed

The membership fee for 2022 has been set at $25.00. Please make arrangements with Jim, KB3FET at jjmunley2@gmail.com. **Thank you for your support of TWA and Amateur Radio.**

Committee Reports:

Activities Manager: K3KAP

Field Day Summary:
ARRL Field Day was a success! Here are some random thoughts and comments. I think we had about half the membership and their families stop by and/or participate. We also had one guest. We racked up more points than the year before which is always our goal. We ended up with three stations running for the 24 hours and had a couple people work the stations overnight. We worked phone, digital and CW. 20 meters was long on Saturday, so we were able to get some Midwest and further West stations. Being at Owl Creek afforded us more contact with the public and a chance to explain the event. Downside was we had a party with a DJ for Saturday afternoon and evening and foot traffic at all hours of the night. Food was good and plentiful. Takeaways from the weekend are that we'll most likely move back to the grove, have a different main entrée (other than chicken), and work with K3TE to make sure that the digital station is good to go. Thank you to all who participated, and I hope you will participate next year. ARRL Field Day is one of my favorite events. As a heads up we will participate in Winter Field Day (non-ARRL) the end of January.

Breakfast July 3, 2022 – 4 attended. See photo at the end of the minutes.
Next activity is Family picnic in September. Also, coming up 66th Annual PA QSO Party October 8th & 9th. Next Breakfast August 7th

ARES County EC: K3KAP

Incident Command Training (ICS Training) was discussed. ARRL might have a link to take it. Members present thought it was free of charge. At least 5 members have had training in the past.

Finance Committee Report: KB3FET

Schuylkill Community Grant available. Jim said he would apply for it this week.

VE Session: WY3K

Our next VE Test session will be August 6th, 9AM. An email will be sent, please respond so Bill will know how many VE's will be attending. WA3JDQ asked if we could do a testing session for Hawk Mountain Boy Scouts. Bill will provide more information at our next meeting in August to see how many Scouts will be taking their test. The date for the event will be September 24th

VE Test Sessions for 2022		
Month	Time	Location
~~April 2~~	~~9AM~~	Tamaqua Borough 320 E. Broad Street Tamaqua
~~June 4~~	~~9AM~~	
August 6	9AM	
September 24	**12PM**	**Hawk Mountain, tentative**
October 15	**12PM**	**Boy Scout Jamboree, tentative**
November 5	9AM	

Schuylkill County Emergency and Traffic Net: KB3FET
TWA Check-Ins for 2022

Date	Total	Date	Total	Date	Total	Date	Total
January 25th	9	April 26th	5	July 26th		October 25th	
February 22nd	10	May 31st	3	August 30th		November 29th	
March 29th	11	June 28th	7	September 27th		December 27th	
1st Quarter	30	2nd Quarter	15	3rd Quarter	0	4th Quarter	0

Roundtable NET at 8PM: K3TE

August's NET Control Operators are:

August 3rd: Tom, K3TE

August 10th: Tom, KC3CRS

August 17th: ED, KB3AYY

August 24th: Karen, K3KAP

August 31st: Tim, W3DFX

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

Month 2022	Number of Weeks	Number of Check-Ins
January	4	51
February	4	48
March	5	56
April	4	44
May	4	39
June	5	49
July	4	40
August	5	
September	4	
October	4	
November	5	
December	4	
Total	52	327

Application for Membership: K3TE

None

Technical Committee -K3TE

1. **Mountain Valley 449.775** – Vegetation control needed. Going up soon
2. **Bears Head 146.955** –
    a. Received a lease agreement from DCNR on July 14, 2022. I would like to thank Jim, WA3WIJ, and Frank, KB2MXV for their efforts in securing this site for TWA.
3. **Tamaqua 146.490** – Controller needs adjustment
4. **Pottsville 145.190** – No issues at this time.

TWA Website & Calendar: W3DFX

Up to date

Old Business.

1. Bylaws update. After a discussion, on a motion by KB3AYY and 2nd by K3KAP our updated Bylaws dated 7/21/22 have been accepted by the members. New Bylaws were distributed to members present at the meeting. If you want a hard copy let me know.
2. Christmas Party, 12/10/22 2PM to 4PM – K3TE – Confirmed with Melody at the Train Station.

New Business & Correspondence:

1. We need to appoint Trustee #2, WY3K asked for volunteers, Karen, K3KAP was appointed Trustee #2.
2. Updated our ARRL club page
3. Jim WA3WIJ had a lock smith open the outdoor cabinet donated by SECTV. He also donated the fee to open the box. $97.00. The club thanked Jim for his donation
4. Jim Munley donated $107.59 for field day and breakfast meals. The club thanked Jim for his donation
5. Installer visited Bears Head on July 1. There was a lengthy discussion about how money would be raised for the installation of the antenna and electricity.
6. Bill, WY3K was given the task to get a job number from PPL to start the process to get electricity at the fire tire.
7. Removal of tower at K3TE's site. Due to upgrades to Tom K3TE's QTH, the tower will have to come down. The repeater will still be active until it finds its permanent home at Bears Head. Ed, KB3AYY said he would ask John, KC3RDI for his bucket truck.
8. Karen, K3KAP talked about getting some volunteers to clean up the grove and bring that back so members could use that for communications and other things.
9. Ed, KB3AYY said there could be a site at Wild-Cat Mountain for a tower. He said he would get back to us later.
10. Ed also wanted to put an amplifier on the APRS at Mountain Valley and to see what is going on with the GMRS radio there too. The club did not have any problems with the upgrades as long as it didn't interfere with our 449.775 frequency.
11. Frank, N3OGG is moving out of the area and resigned from being Vice President of TWA. Members present thanked Frank for his years of service as an officer and everything else he did with the club.
12. After a discussion on Vice President candidate, on a motion by Jim, KB3FET to nominate Ed, KB3AYY as Vice President and then 2nd by Dan, KC3RWX, motion passed.

Good for the Order:

1. Schuylkill ARES NET Tuesday 8PM – 145.370
2. On the last Tuesday of the month, the ARES NET is on the TWA system
3. TWA Roundtable NET Wednesday 8PM
4. Looking for NET Control Operators. You will only work once a month!
5. Our next regularly scheduled meeting will be August 18th 7PM at the Owl Creek Reservoir Dam, Tamaqua – Weather Permitting
6. Report bad weather to the National Weather Service State College - **800-697-0010**

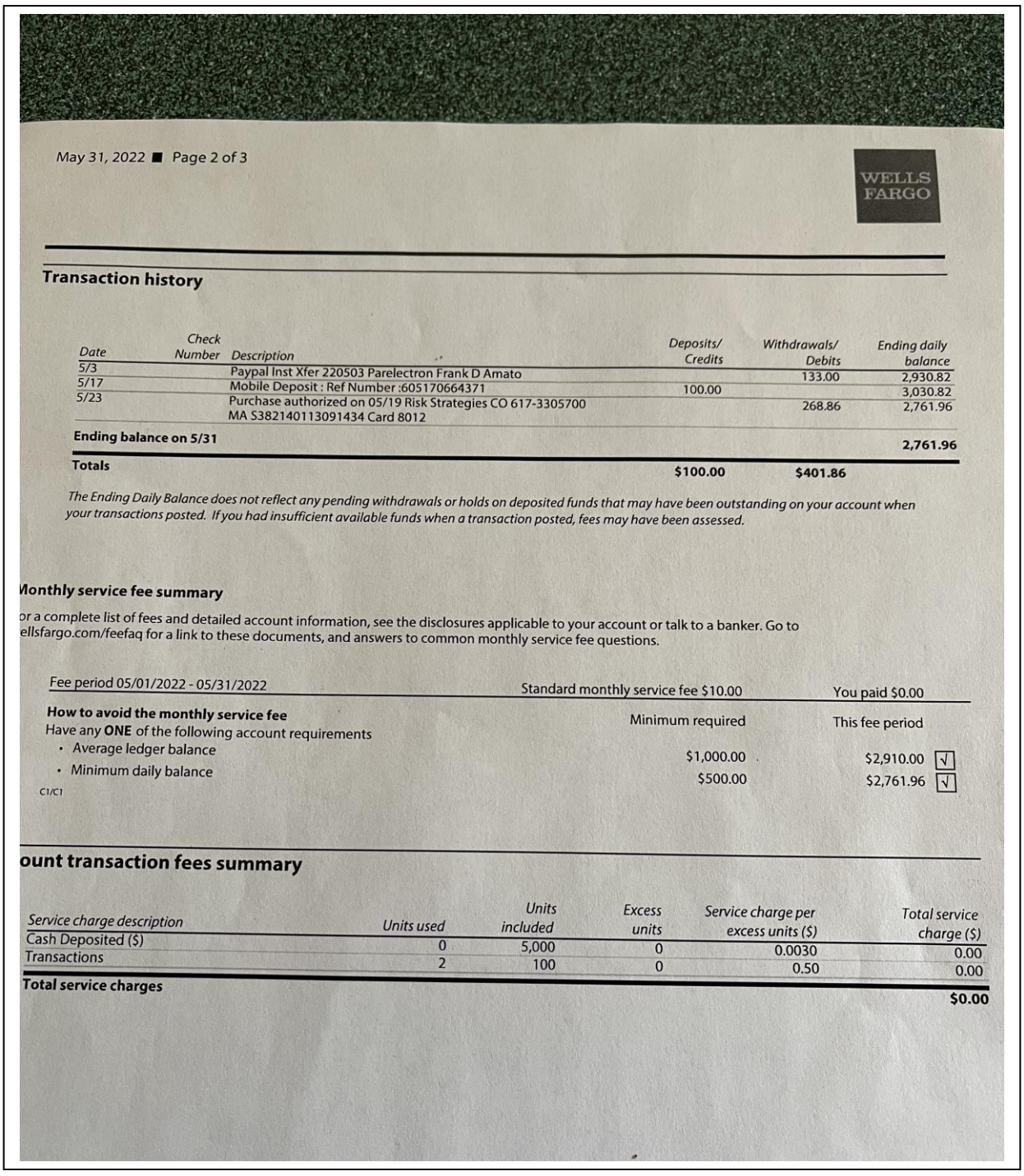
With their being no further business, a motion to adjourn at 8:11PM by:

1. K3KAP
2. KB2MXV

Motion passed

Minutes prepared and submitted by K3TE, secretary, Tamaqua Wireless Association.

Treasurers Report:



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Transaction history

Date	Check Number	Description	Deposits/ Credits	Withdrawals/ Debits	Ending daily balance
5/3		Paypal Inst Xfer 220503 Parelectron Frank D Amato		133.00	2,930.82
5/17		Mobile Deposit : Ref Number :605170664371	100.00		3,030.82
5/23		Purchase authorized on 05/19 Risk Strategies CO 617-3305700 MA S382140113091434 Card 8012		268.86	2,761.96
Ending balance on 5/31					**2,761.96**
Totals			**$100.00**	**$401.86**	

The Ending Daily Balance does not reflect any pending withdrawals or holds on deposited funds that may have been outstanding on your account when your transactions posted. If you had insufficient available funds when a transaction posted, fees may have been assessed.

Monthly service fee summary

For a complete list of fees and detailed account information, see the disclosures applicable to your account or talk to a banker. Go to wellsfargo.com/feefaq for a link to these documents, and answers to common monthly service fee questions.

Fee period 05/01/2022 - 05/31/2022	Standard monthly service fee $10.00	You paid $0.00
How to avoid the monthly service fee	Minimum required	This fee period
Have any **ONE** of the following account requirements		
• Average ledger balance	$1,000.00	$2,910.00 √
• Minimum daily balance	$500.00	$2,761.96 √

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Account transaction fees summary

Service charge description	Units used	Units included	Excess units	Service charge per excess units ($)	Total service charge ($)
Cash Deposited ($)	0	5,000	0	0.0030	0.00
Transactions	2	100	0	0.50	0.00
Total service charges					**$0.00**

Field Day 2022 Summary submitted by Karen, K3KAP

Summary:
Entry received at: 2022-06-29 23:19:18
Call Used: W3TWA GOTA Station Call: (NONE) ARRL/RAC Section: EPA
Class: 4A
Participants: 16 Club/Group Name: Tamaqua Wireless Assn

	CW		Digital		Phone QSOs	
160m						
80m					65	100W
40m	28	100W			146	100W
20m	22	100W	1	100W	45	100W
15m			1	100W		
10m						
6m			3	100W		
2m						
222						
432						
Other						
Satellite						
GOTA						
TOTAL	50		5		256	

Breakfast July 3, 2022

