

T.B.A.R.C.
The minutes for February 24th , 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM by Club President, Hugh Jack, KD8OVZ by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call of the Officers: President: Hugh, KD8OVZ - present
 Vice President: Denny KC8UWC - present
 Treasurer: Glenn WK8P - present
 Secretary: Dick W1UP - present

There were twelve members and no guests present.

- The minutes from the November meeting were reviewed and approved as printed on a motion by Leonard KC8DOJ , seconded by Jim, KD8ZCO, the motion passed, all in favor.

- Treasurer's report: Glen reported the following balances:

Shares account:	\$ 214.58
Savings:	\$ 888.52
VE account:	\$ 43.58
Checking:	\$ -0-

The financial report was approved on a motion by Joe, KD8VLY, seconded by Jim, KD8ZCO.

- Announcements

- May meeting changed to the 3rd Tuesday of the month
- Field Day will be at the Fair Grounds
- Weather Spotter Training – March 10th 6:30 PM NOAA – Building
- Denny gave a report on the 2 meter net that is on Mondays at 7:00 PM. There have been 5 – 8 check-ins each week. It was discussed and agreed on that the net start time be moved to 7:30 PM still on Monday's to enable people to check in to the Rogers City 2 meter net at 7:00 PM which is on Mondays also. Jerry, W8KQ, gave a brief report on the 3973 HF net that meets on Wednesdays at 8PM local time. There have been anywhere from 3 to 6 check-ins.
- Dick, W1UP, gave a review of his meeting with Larry Camp, WB8R and Raoul Revord, W8RDR regarding Alpena's Amateur Radio Antenna ordinance. They suggested the we approach the city and ask to revisit the issues that we have in light of Michigan's PRB-1. We should stress emergency communications and the advantages that it has to the area.
- Hugh, KD8OVZ, and Jerry, W8KQ, will secure the part of the Fair Grounds for Field Day that will be a good location to set up. Field Day is on June 27th and 28th.
- Joe, KD8VLY, talked about an A.I.S. project he is working on for the Boat Nerds web site. He hopes to give a presentation on his work at the April Club meeting.
- Support for the Weather spotter by providing 2 weather alert radios again this year was made by Leonard, KC8DOJ, seconded by Jim, KD8ZCO. The motion passed all in favor. It was noted that donations to cover half of the cost have already been made.
- Wayne, K8QBZ, has been appointed the Alpena, County Radio Officer on the resignation of John Thomas, N8JWH, He will be the temporary officer until the paper work get approved by the Michigan Section Emergency Coordinator. Wayne passed out new ARES/RACES membership renewal forms.
- Wayne, K8QBZ, showed his slow scan TV pictures that he received from the International Space Station this weekend as it passed over the area.
- The ARRL video, Ham Radio Today was shown. This 6 minute video features Walter Cronkite talking about Ham Radio and communication emergencies and we will show it the weather spotter training.
- A online video of the TYT TH-9800, a 4 band 50W transceiver was shown.
- Dick, W1UP, demonstrated a prototype CW decoder. The approximant cost for parts to build one will be under \$30.00.
- The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 PM on a motion by Hugh, KD8OVZ and seconded Joe, KD8VLY.