

Thunder Bay Amateur Radio Club
Minutes for February 28th 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Hugh Jack followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call of the Officers:

- President: Hugh WQ8TV - present
- Vice President: Jim KD8ZCO – absent-excused
- Secretary/ Treasurer: Dick W1UP – present

There were 9 members and no guests present.

Minute of Silence honoring SK, KE8NJ, Dick Tunney and a card was available to sign. A memorial will be send to Immanuel Lutheran Church in Dick’s name.

A card was signed for Mike Carter, K8AMI, who has some medial issues.

The list of estate items that passed out at the January meeting are no longer for sale. Sandra Mantz obtained her license, KE8GDW, and is keeping her father’s equipment.

Dick, W1UP, reviewed the minutes and gave the following Financial Report:

Activity since the January meeting:

- Deposit (dues)\$10.00

Account balances

- checking\$18.28
- Preferred shares\$727.86
- VE testing\$22.12
- Regular shares\$215.30

The Minutes and Financial report were approved on motion by, Glenn, WK8P seconded by Denny, KC8UWC.

It was authorized to obtain a debit card to draw off the share draft (checking) account on a motion by Jerry, W8KQ seconded by Glenn, WK8P.

Field Day 2017 was briefly discussed with member encouraged to start planning for the event. Three audio interface units are being built for Field Day from plans in the ARRL Handbook.

The Swap that we are planning was supported by all and Denny reported that the Rogers City Group was supporting our change in date to August 19th from the first Saturday in October. W1UP will get this listed on the ARRL Hamfest calendar.

Doug gave a report on his trip to Sint Maartens. He only made about 10 contacts as the band conditions were not favorable, but he still had a great time with lots of great food.

A club build project was presented - a 100 watt dummy load– parts will be ordered and a time will be set for the “build”. There were 9 who said that they wanted to build the dummy load.

A presentation on Morse Code was given. A You-tube video “Learn Morse Code The Right Way” was shown and discussed. The hand out is also posted on ThunderBayARC.org under the links tab.

Art, KE8DGW, brought a 2 meter full wave quad antenna that he had made. The link to the antenna is:
<http://www.hamuniverse.com/2meterfullwaveloop.html>

The meeting adjourned at 8:32 PM on a motion by Doug, WD8Z, seconded by Denny, KC8UWC.