

Thunder Bay Amateur Radio Club
Minutes for April 25th, 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 N8JIM (new call for Jim) - present
Secretary/Treasurer: Dick W1UP – present

There were 11 members and 1 guest present.

The following announcements were made:

- Club Member, K8AMI, Mike Carter passed away last Friday. Card to sign and a memorial will be sent.
- May and June meeting will be in room 116 instead of room 112
- Field Day – June 24th – 25th
- SWAP 2017 – Now listed in QST. August 19th at the Alpena mall.
- Club build project: 100-watt dummy load. Build date this coming Friday 10:00 AM at w1up's or on your own. Cost for the parts is \$7.00 payable to w1up.

Dick, W1UP gave the Financial Report & and reviews the March meeting minutes

No Financial Activity since the March meeting

Account balances

- checking\$18.70
- Preferred shares\$619.19
- VE testing.....\$22.12
- Regular shares\$215.39

The Minutes and Financial Report were approved on a motion by Wayne, k8qbz seconded by Jim, N8JIM.

A brief summary of the Weather Spotter Training was given. Attendees, Lorraine Shultz and Terry Miller were the winners of the Weather Radios donated by TBARC.

The equipment donated to TBARC by the estate of W8YO, Kenneth Spahr was discussed with pictures shown. The equipment is available to TBARC members to check out and use. Some of the items may be sold and proceeds used to fund special projects. The fair market value of the equipment was estimated to be approximately \$2,500.00.

Doug, WD8Z, gave a very interesting presentation on Working Satellites. There was a lot of interest generated in the members to get into Satellite communications. The Yaesu FT-847, that was from the W8YO, estate is designed for satellite communications. The club will use this to set up a satellite station and use it for Field Day, public demonstrations and individual satellite work. Thank you, Doug, for your presentation.

On motion Wayne, K8QBZ, seconded by Jim, N8JIM, the club was authorized to purchase an Arrow Satellite antenna. Doug, WD8Z, will purchase the antenna and be reimbursed by the club. The cost is expected to be approximately \$150.00.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 PM on a motion by Jim, N8JIM, seconded by Glen, WK8P.