

Thunder Bay Amateur Radio Club  
Minutes for April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015

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: Denny KC8UWC - present
- Treasurer: Glenn WK8P - absent
- Secretary: Dick W1UP – present

There were 8 members and one guest present.

The minutes from March were approved on a motion by Wayne, K8QBZ, seconded by Denny, KC8UWC. Passed all in favor.

The following announcements were made.

- May meeting changed to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month
- Field Day will be at the Fair Grounds
- Testing will be deferred until sometime in May – check ThunderBayARC.org for details

Financial Report : Dick, W1UP, gave the financial report on behalf of Glenn.

- Financial Report
  - Activity since last meeting:
    - Check for flowers.....\$95.50      paid
    - donations.....\$35.00      deposited
    - dues 2015-16..... \$20.00      deposited
  - Account balances
    - checking .....\$5.97
    - shares .....\$810.86
    - VE testing.....\$22.12
    - Regular shares .....\$214.67

A discussion of the money in the regular shares account was discussed and Dick, W1UP, will look into any obligations attached to that money in the old minutes and treasurers' reports and report back at the May meeting.

Net Reports - 2 meter net - 3973 HF net

Denny, KC8UWC, reported that the last net had 4 check-ins and lasted 11 minutes.

Jerry, W8KQ, reported the 3973 net has averaged 5-6 check-ins

Dick reported that the email survey of members indicated that the members said that email was the best way to contact them. There were 17 responses from the membership.

Dick reported that we are still working on the disposal of the trailer and are still in the process of contacting scrap dealers and assessing what equipment is needed. It was suggested to check to if the trailer could be towed to the scrap yard.

The Constitution/By-laws committee is still working on the revisions and they hope to have a draft by the May or June meeting. Dick showed the members when they can find a copy of the current document on ThunderBayARC.org. Members were encouraged to get any comments to one of the committee members, Hugh, WQ8TV, Jim, KD8ZCO or Dick, W1UP.

Wayne, K8QBZ, asked for help in removing four antennas from the Alpena E.O.C. building and help to check out the antennas on the 4-mile, 7-mile, and the 9th Street Dams. He will be doing this sometime in May.

We have a new a new location for the Swap. Jim, KD8ZCO, will check on Raffle License for the door prizes. This year it will be held at the Alpena Mall. A brochure will be posted on ThunderBayARC.org as well as handed out at other swaps and sent to QST for publishing on ARRL.org.

The Slate for officers for the 2015-2016 year was presented.

Nomination of 2105 -2016 officers –Slate as prepared:

- President: Hugh WQ8TV
- Vice President: Jim KD8ZCO
- Treasurer: Glenn WK8P (with assistance from the Secretary)
- Secretary: Dick W1UP

Nominations for President were opened. No nominations were made. The nominations for President were closed on a motion by Earl, KC8TC, seconded by Jim, KD8ZCO. Motion carried all in favor.

Nominations for Vice-President were opened. No nominations were made. The nominations for Vice-President were closed on a motion by Len, Kc8doj, seconded by Earl, KC8TC. Motion carried all in favor.

Nominations for Treasurer were opened. No nominations were made. The nominations for Treasurer were closed on a motion by Wayne, K8QBZ, seconded by Denny, KC8UWC. Motion carried all in favor.

Nominations for Secretary were opened. No nominations were made. The nominations for Secretary were closed on a motion by Len, Kc8doj, seconded by Earl, KC8TC. Motion carried all in favor.

A motion was made by Leonard, KC8DOJ, seconded by Wayne, K8QBZ, that the officers be accepted for the officers for the next term as slated. The motion passed all in favor.

The fox hunt was reviewed with pictures of where the fox was hiding. Participants discussed their techniques and problem in location the Fox. Wayne, K8QBZ, demonstrated his "Handi-Finder". Awards were handed out the two teams who had located the fox. Hugh, WQ8TV and Jim, K8MVT were the first place team and Bill, N8YKG and Jim, KD8ZCO were the second team to locate the Fox. A certificate and a "paper clip" fox hunt antenna were awarded to each team member who found the Fox. Everyone was anxious to have another go at finding the Fox.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.