

Thunder Bay Amateur Radio Club
Minutes November 28th, 2017

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

Roll Call of the Officers:

President: Hugh WQ8TV – **present**
Vice President: Jim WB8OR – **present**

Treasurer: Glenn WK8P - **present**
Secretary: Dick W1UP - **absent**

There were 10 members and 1 guests present

Announcements

Christmas Party – December 9th at the home of WD8Z, Social time at 5:00 PM eating at 6:00 PM. The Club will provide ham, water, coffee and plates and utensils. Bring a dish to pass.

The October meetings were handed out and approved on a motion by Jim, WB8OR, seconded by Denny, KC8UWC.

Financial Report

Financial Activity since the October meeting

- Transfer from savings to checking\$64.00
- Check #580 PO box yearly rental\$64.00
- Memorial Fund Deposit\$50.00

Account balances

- checking (040)\$41.15
- Preferred shares (020)\$923.16
- VE testing (021).....\$32.05
- Regular shares (000)\$210.61
- Memorial Fund (022)\$50.00

The Financial Report was approved on a motion by Jim WB8OR, seconded by Denny, KC8UWC.

Yearly fixed expenses review – the only place where there is any room for savings is looking at reducing the insurance costs.

TBARC fixed expenses (yearly)

- Auto Owners - Liability Insurance \$290.00
- Mercer - Equipment insurance \$89.00
- PO Box rental \$64.00
- ThunderBayARC.org \$84.78

Total \$527.78

Detailed Insurance review – A discussion of becoming an ARRL affiliated club in order to obtain insurance through the ARRL to save money. The general consensus was that the club does want an ARES only club. More details need to be obtained as to the requirements of ARRL affiliation.

The motion requested to enable the Executive Team to make changes to the insurance policies to save on yearly costs was tabled for further review on a motion by Jim WB8OR, seconded by Denny, KC8UWC.

Presentation by Eric Ogilvie, a licensed engineer, primary focus on electrical, electronics and system engineering. Eric talked about how to increase technology in the Alpena area. He felt the Ham radio community may help and benefit. A discussion as to why there isn't more interest in ham radio in the Alpena area and how to different ways to get more involvement. Thank you, Eric for the discussion.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM on a motion by Jim WB8OR, seconded by Denny, KC8UWC