## Thunder Bay Amateur Radio Club March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order by Hugh(WQ8TV) at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call of Officers

President: Hugh (WQ8TV) – Present Vice President: Jim (WB8OR) - Present Treasurer: Glenn (WK8P) – absent Secretary: Dick (W1UP) – Present

There were 10 members and 1 guest present

## **Announcements**

Alpena County Skywarn Spotter Training on 4/30/18 6:30pm – Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary Dick stated there will be no weather radios purchased this year by the club

February Meeting Minutes approval by Jim (WB8OR) and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Denny (KC8UWC) motion carried

Financial Report and Approval by Denny (KC8UWC) 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe (KD8VLY) motion carried

Transfer from saving to Memorial Fund (approved Feb.)	\$35.00
Deposit Memorial Fund W8KQ collection	\$45.00
Deposit from Christmas Party Donation	\$1.00
Deposit VE testing account	\$7.00
Account balances	
Checking (040)	\$52.15
Preferred Shares (020)	\$913.64
VE testing account (021)	\$55.05
Regular shares (000)	\$210.70
Memorial fund (022)	\$141.01

Nomination Committee Appointments are Dick (W1UP), Jerry (W8KQ) and Hugh (WQ8TV)

Field Day is June 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> at the Fair Grounds. Decisions need to be made on what equipment the club will be setting up. What radios, antennas, generators etc. will be used. Also, is the club going 3A or 4A. Some discussion was had and 4A is the consensus. A better 80 Meter antenna is needed, and the members are considering 160 band. Wayne will be running Digital. Last year the club achieved their highest score ever.

Swap Meet –due to lack of interest, it was decided there will be no swap meet for this year. Some seemed interested in a Regional Meet for 2019. Jim (WB8OR) will be investigating this.

ARRL club affiliation – The main reason for affiliation is to save on insurance. ARRL affiliates save \$100.00 per year on liability insurance, 51% of the club members must also be members of ARRL. As of now we have that amount. There is no cost to join as a club and the 51% does not need to be maintained. Motion made to join by Denny (KC8UWC) and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim (WB8OR) Motion carried.

Presentation – Doug (WD8Z) gave a presentation on Voyager ocean drone. It can be reached at frequency 14074 Call Sign KH6JF/mm

Wayne (K8QBZ) turned echo-link on but would like to shut it down. Anyone wishing to use it should call Wayne

More people are needed to participate on the 2-meter net Mondays at 7:30pm

Motion to Adjourn was made by Jim (WB8OR) and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Denny (KC8UWC) at 8:35 motion carried