

Thunder Bay Amateur Radio Club  
September 27, 2022

1. The meeting was called to order by the president, Dick Wiitala W1UP at 6:58PM. He also led the group in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.
2. Role call of the officers:
  - a. President -Dick Wiitala W1UP – present
  - b. Vice-president – Doug Dietz WD8Z – present
  - c. Treasurer – Glenn Helwig WK8P – excused
  - d. Secretary – Don Spaeth W8DGS – present
3. 12 other members were present for a total of 15 members
4. Announcements:
  - a. There will be a joint Swap Meet with the Gaylord ARC this Saturday, October 1, 2022,
    - i. Dick W1UP and John KC9ON will be in charge. Volunteers are needed to help manage the swap meet – please contact one of these leaders when you arrive.
    - ii. Directions were given to the location.
  - b. There is a Yaseu 847 radio with MFJ power supply and a Yaseu FC20 tuner(limited to 2:1) available. Also there is a 6 m Ringo Ranger antenna available. If no member wants these items, they will be taken to the Gaylord Swap.
5. Treasurer's Report:
  - a. Financial data was submitted in writing; and a copy of report is attached to these minutes.
    - i. Account balances:
 

1. Special (000).....	\$ 1,949.68
2. Savings (020).....	\$ 2,352.51
3. V.E. (021).....	\$ 124.80
4. Memorial fund (021).....	\$ 219.65
5. Checking (040).....	\$ 272.79
TOTAL.....	\$ 4,956.31
    - ii. Picnic costs
      1. Club spent \$42.00
      2. Donations received \$50.00
    - iii. QTH hosting - \$16.88
    - iv. Mi corporation - \$20.00
  - b. Motion was made to approve the treasurer's report was made by Wayne K8QBZ and seconded by Jerry KG8N. Motion passed by voice acclaim with no objections.
6. Old Business:
  - a. Motion to approve the minutes of the June 28, 2022 meeting was made by Wayne K8QBZ and seconded by Doug WD8Z. Motion passed by voice acclaim with no objections.
  - b. Report on ARRL Field Day held on June 25-26, 2022 was tabled until results available. Tentative results were similar to last years.
  - c. Report on the July Meeting – Fox Hunt are on TBARC web site. Hugh WQ8TV found the fox in 26 minutes. 12 members, 2 wives and 3 grandchildren participated.

- d. Report on August meeting – picnic is on TBARC web site. Hosted by Doug WD8Z and wife, Carrie. 14 members and 11 guests attended.
7. New Business;
- a. The committee (Hugh WQ8TV & Rodney WD8RC) to evaluate the TBARC’s liability insurance recommended that Auto-Owners Liability insurance be terminated at the end of the policy, and TBARC purchase liability insurance form Risk Strategies Company, associated with ARRL. The coverage will be slightly improved at a lesser cost. Motion to make the change was made by Davin KE8RDV and seconded by Wayne K8QBZ. Motion passed by voice acclaim, with no objections.
  - b. Repeater:
    - i. The new repeater 2 m antenna will be ordered. Total cost is estimated to be \$1748.00. this includes cost of material and shipping. The cost of a climber and mounting are not included.
    - ii. It was suggested that the equipment in the repeater be replaced from the ‘jerry-rigged’ present system to a commercial system. Motion was made to study this by Hugh WQ8TV and seconded by Pete KM4CTD. Included in the study was feasibility of including analog and digital capabilities. It was suggested that other clubs be contacted to see what equipment and protocols they use.
  - c. Wayne K8QBZ requested help in moving our equipment out of the EOC room by Oct.1<sup>st</sup> as the EOC has need of that room. New location for the equipment is yet to be determined. Wayne K8QBZ, Don W8DGS, Dick W1UP, Hugh WQ8TV. Peter KM4CTD, and Mike KE8FSR volunteered to help.
  - d. Wayne K8QBZ also reported that if TBARC wants to continue to be involved in Emergency Services members need to be trained and participate, At least 6 hams are needed. Wayne K8QBZ, Hugh WQ8TV, Don W8DGS, Davin KE8RDV, Peter KM4CTD and Mike KE8FSR stated they are willing to be trained.
8. Our 2022 Christmas Party is scheduled for Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> at 4:00PM at the First Baptist Church, 126 W. Washington Ave, Alpena, MI
9. A motion to adjourn was made by Doug WD8Z and seconded by Jerry KG8N. Hearing no objections, the meeting adjourned at 7:50PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald G. Spaeth, W8DGS  
Secretary