

Thunder Bay Amateur Radio Club
January 24, 2023
Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 7:00PM by president Dick Wiitala, W1UP. The pledge of allegiance was led by treasurer Glenn Helwig, wk8p.

1. Roll Call of the Officers:

1. President – Dick Wiitala, W1UP - present
2. Vice President – Doug Dietz, WD8Z - present
3. Treasurer – Glenn Helwig, WK8P - present
4. Secretary – Don Spaeth, W8DGS – present

9 other members for a total of 13 members were present.

2. Announcements

1. Our meetings will be held in room 116 at ACC starting with our February meeting and through June,2023
2. Top of Michigan Radio Club invites TBARC to a meeting with Tim Duffy, CEO of DX Engineering, on April 11th @ 7:00pm in Room 103 at Kirkland University Center, 80 Livingston Blvd. Gaylord.
3. On February 10th and 11th, the Snowdrift will use our repeater as a back-up repeater. The repeater in Mio, Michigan will be the main repeater,
4. Ron Shumaker, N8XKX, submitted a list of equipment he has for sale. Contact Ron N8XKX for details.

3. The November's meeting's minutes were displayed for comments. None made, and Wayne Huggler, K8QBZ moved that the minutes be approved and Ron Shumaker, N8XXX seconded the motion. It was passed by a voice vote with no dissensions.

4. The Financial report was presented by Glenn Helwig, WK8P.

Financial Activity

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| 1. Donations from Christmas Party..... | \$ 25.00 |
| 2. Expenses from Christmas Party (Ham & Water)..... | \$ 16.90 |
| 3. Misc supplies for club (Cutlery, plates & Napkins) | \$ 52.12 |

Account balances as of 1/21/2023

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| 4. checking (040) | \$94.30 |
| 5. Preferred shares Savings (020)..... | \$29449.66 |
| 6. VE testing (021)..... | \$74.60 |
| 7. Regular shares (000)..... | \$150.51 |
| 8. Memorial Fund (022)..... | \$219.83 |
| Accounts TOTAL..... | \$3483.90 |

Wayne Huggler, K8QBZ moved to accept the treasurer's report and Doug Diets, WD8Z, seconded the motion. It was approved by voice vote with no dissensions.

5. Old business:

1. Status report on new antenna was made by Dick, W1UP. No change in status. The antenna has been received and assembled. The SWR was acceptable, and it is in storage at Doug's, WD8Z until weather permits installation,
2. Repeater / climber - received an awaiting appropriate weather to install.

3. TBARC Nets –update on control operators. Several members are unable to consistently be operators. Davin, KE8RDV, does the 3:00 PM Coffee Net and Mark, KD8YX will fill in for him. Others have filled in when Davin has a work conflict. All members are encouraged to fill in when able. Wayne, K8QBZ, will be unavailable after February as well as sometimes during February. The Net control list on the web will be updated
4. Update report on ARES/RACES status - Wayne, K8QBZ. Still waiting for the final OK to move to Airport facility. To participate must have current ARES card, able to use Winlink & FLdigi, laptop and 'go-kit' with 2m and 440 capabilities. Each will need background checks. But the Sheriff, the Emergency manager and the Airport manager have yet to decide the procedure for this. It seems to be between Homeland Security or the local sheriff's policy.
6. New Business
 1. Change signatories on bank accounts as per Article II of our constitution. Information has been sent to the AAACU and we are waiting for them to get back to us so the officers can sign AAACU's signature cards.
 2. The issue of replacing the repeater with a new unit was brought up. It was suggested that we sell the present unit before it is only good for scrap and purchase an up-to-date unit.
7. Education –Dick, W1UP and Wayne, K8QBZ presented, taught and practiced the ARRL message forms.
8. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at approx. 8:20PM by motion made by Hugh, WQ8TV, and seconded by Ron, KG8IR.

Below is the invitation the Top of Michigan Radio Club to their meeting.

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1/24/2023 6:22 AM

DX ENGINEERING CEO Zoom presentation

Top of Michigan Amateur Radio Club is pleased to announce that Tim Duffy, the CEO of DX Engineering is going to share with us his Antenna Building presentation via Zoom. Our club has reserved a room at Kirkland University Center in Gaylord for the presentation.

The presentation is scheduled for April 11th at 7:00 p.m. in room 103. The college is located at 80 Livingston Blvd in Gaylord. It would be great if other clubs members would attend to show Mr. Duffy how committed northern Michigan is to ham radio. For those that are unable to attend, a link to the zoom meeting will be made available.

Thank you! We hope to see you there.

Don VanArman KE8TSH

Treasurer