

MINUTES OF LIDXA INC. MEETING — April 18, 2017

Location: *Town of Oyster Ice Skating Center, Community Room 1, Bethpage, N.Y.*

John, W2GW, the LIDXA President, called to order the meeting of April 18th at 8:40PM after an extended socializing period. Members present at tonight's meeting included John, W2GW; Louise, K2MAU; Ed, K2MFY; Jack, NU2Q; Art, N2KA; Aaron, WC2C; Karen, W2ABK; and Rich, KB2ZPB.

OLD BUSINESS

Some of the following DX was mentioned:

- General comments were made on the continued poor DX conditions on the bands. Most DX activity is on the low bands, although some members indicate that good HF openings occur in the morning or early evening.
- Several amateurs from Czech Republic and Slovakia are active from Seychelles Republic. The operation is expected to run from April 6 through April 18... A number of members reported working the station.
- It was reported that UA4WHX is now active from Sri Lanka as 4S7VBG. Before that he was heard operating from the Maldiv Islands as 8Q7VB.

NEW BUSINESS

Starting the business portion of tonight's meeting was the approval of the March 21, 2017 meeting minutes. These minutes were accepted as issued. In addition the minutes were prepared in advance by the LIDXA Secretary, Ed, K2MFY, and sent out to the membership with the April meeting announcement. Thanks to the efforts of our webmaster Pat, KE2LJ, the minutes appear on the LIDXA web site at: <http://www.qsl.net/lidxa>.

John W2GW, LIDXA Treasurer, presented the Treasurer's report. Our current membership totals are 33 members and 25 members have paid their annual dues. John also mentioned that, as trustee of the club's callsign, W2LDX, he had just renewed the license for the next ten years.

John presented a recent communication that he had received from member Bob, K2YGM regarding the new RFI representative from PSEG, Louis Cortes. In an update Bob was informed that Louis is the PSEG RFI investigator for Suffolk county. The new PSEG RFI investigator for Nassau and Queens county is Ron Millione, W2TAP. Furthermore Ron has over 25 years experience in ham and RF communications.

The membership was reminded that according to a March 31 bulletin from the ARRL, the DXCC Committee has deleted Midway and Kure Island from the DXCC list effective August 25, 2016. Any contact with stations on these islands after this date will then count as from Hawaii. This change will bring the current DXCC totals to 337.

With the business portion of this meeting concluding at 9:05PM, John then showed a DVD on the 2005 DXpedition to Kure Island (KH7) as K7C, that grossed about 50K QSOs.

The next regular meeting of the LIDXA will be held on Tuesday May 16.

Ed Whitman, K2MFY
LIDXA Secretary