Tri-City Amateur Radio Club Minutes

September 13, 2016

I. Call to Order

The regular September meeting of the Tri-City Amateur Radio Club was called to order at 1943 by president Mike Tucker, W1MCT, at the Red Cross Office in Waterford, CT.

The club hasn't met since May, 2016. The minutes of that meeting are unavailable and there were no meetings in June, July, and August, 2016.

Committees and Activities: The Museum Ships on the air activity and the NxNW operating activity were lightly attended this year due to conflicts with the ARC (American Red Cross) Southern New England Disaster institute, and other activities. The annual picnic in August was lightly attended (6 members present) and no grill was available.... better luck next year.

For information, this summer's disasters nationwide have resulted in the ARC deploying 50 volunteers from the CT/RI region to the affected areas. The local office of the ARC has a goal of installing 1000 free smoke detectors this year, and additional volunteers were solicited.

II. Attendees

KC1TWR Tim Rodgers; WA2RYV Tom Scott; N1EAT Tina Main; W1MCT Mike Tucker; KC1PGK Fred Bolen; KC1AUM Wayne Chiapperini; Introductions held.

III. Communications

No communications received.

IV. Approval of Minutes

No Minutes were presented for approval.

V. Treasurer's Report

The treasurer was not present and no report was offered.

VI. Old Business

- 1. Tina, N1EAT, presented a slate of officers for the coming 2016-17 year. They included: Tim Rogers, KC1TWR for president, Chip Chiapperini KC1AUM, for Secretary, and Tina Main, N1EAT for Treasurer. A motion was made and seconded and unanimously passed to have the secretary cast one ballot to elect these officers. The new officers were elected and will take their offices at the October meeting. Now that new officers will be in place, the annual report of officers can be made to the Secretary of the State.
- 2. The annual TCARC auction is coming up.... scheduled for October 29 at the Gales Ferry Fire Station. The reservation and deposit have been made and confirmed. Frank Mills will again sponsor our use of the fire station hall. The help of all club members will be necessary to make the auction a success.

VII. New Business

WA2RYV reported that the Technician Licensing class will start on September 12 and will run run into early November. 5 students were enrolled. Darryl, WA1DD, is the lead instructor and Mike, W1MCT is the chief assistant/technical guru. A VE exam session will follow the conclusion of the class.

VIII. Health & Welfare

Tom, WA2RYV, recently met with Marcia Hays, KA1ZZW to collect the secretary's records, as Marcia has been unable to attend club meeting due to a variety of family and health issues. Marcia wanted to be remembered to the membership, and also wanted to stay on the club mailing/email list so that she could attend club activities when possible.

Tom, WA2RYV reported that Diane Haige, N1YL, a former member, had become a *Silent Key*.

Harrison Fortier, W1HAF, recently underwent back surgery and is recovering at home.

IX. Closing of Meeting

A motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn at 2055.

Submitted by: Thomas E. Scott, WA2RYV, VP, acting for the Secretary

Post Meeting Note: Bill Birtcher, K1EV, has agree to stand for Vice-President for the upcoming year. His formal election will take place at the October meeting.