

Holland Amateur Radio Club General Membership Meeting Minutes

December 10, 2012

The meeting started at 7:00 PM by Ike, K8EMU.
Introductions were made.

A motion was made to accept the minutes as posted on the web site, 2nd and approved.

The treasurer's report stated that we had \$ 166.76 in the membership account and \$ 5,019.02 in the general fund, for a total of \$ 5,185.78 Motion made to accept, 2nd and approved.

Announcements:

Larry K8GMO as a silent key.

Parade of Lights, Hank, K8HLD reported that it was dark, there were a lot of people, and traffic was directed. All went well.

Old Business:

There was talk of a post holiday dinner. Chuck, W8GCW made a motion to have it on Jan 21, a Monday at 6pm, at a local buffet restaurant. Chuck will coordinate. Motion was 2nd and approved.

Hank, K8HLD brought up a proof copy of the membership directory.

Jim Jipping brought up the club's constitution and bylaws. He met with the original attorney who helped draw up the original paperwork. Jim reported that the constitution and how we run the repeater are fine. The bylaws have some minor issues. Jim recommended that we look at fixing the minor changes in the future.

Jeff, KB8QAP asked if we needed to inventory our assets for federal or state reasons. Phil, K8PVH stated that the value of our assets is not stated or required on any forms.

There was a question from the audience as to when a person becomes a club member. The bylaws do not answer that.

New Business:

Bryan, KD8LDX asked that we start looking at supplying communication for the Tulip Time Parade. One of our new members is on the Tulip Time Parade committee. There were several comments regarding the history of the club supplying communications and help to both the Red Cross and the Tulip Time Committee.

Elections:

Ike, K8EMU made a motion to appoint Rick, N8GGO as our election officer. 2nd and approved.

Rick made a motion to accept Phil VanHuis's offer to be the treasurer. 2nd and approved.
For president, Ike, K8EMU was elected.
For vice president, Jeff, KB8QAP was elected.
For secretary, Tom, K8TB was elected.

Notice was given that there will be a board meeting on Jan 7th at 7pm.

Ike then convened a break.

Program:

Rick, N8GGO gave a talk on the state of emergency communications in Ottawa County. Rick is our Races EC, and he is the director of Ottawa County Amateur Radio Auxiliary. At the time of the meeting, there is no ARES EC in Ottawa County. There is a new callsign that will be used from the Ottawa County EOC, and that is K8OEC. This callsign will also be used for the OCARA weather stations and digipeaters.

Byran, KD8LDX gave a talk on the upcoming VHF contest, with a new slot for FM only contesting. Byran gave a web link and a link to find your grid square.

The meeting was closed at 8:55 pm.

Submitted,

Tom Bosscher, K8TB