

Meeting started at 7:00 PM by Ike, K8EMU. Introductions around the room.

A special shout out was made to the new club members.

Minutes of the February meeting were accepted as placed on the web.

**Treasurers report:** \$ 5,292.53 in the general fund, and \$ 166.76 in the membership fund

For a total of \$ 5,459.29. The treasurers report was seconded and approved.

**Announcements:** HARC membership cards were on the table for recent renewals.

Ham in a Day. Under Bryan, KD8LDX's leadership, we had 8 students take their tech, all passed and are now licensed amateurs and members of the club. In addition, 3 walk ins passed their tech and there were three upgrades to general. A thank you also goes to the eleven VE's who showed up!

Tulip Time. The Ottawa Red Cross will be supplying the amateur radio communicators for the Tulip time Parade. Tom, K8TB will be the coordinator for the Red Cross.

**Old Business:** Ike stated that he and Chuck, W8GCW had come to an agreement on the reimbursement for Chucks projector that was broken when used by the club. Chuck is willing to accept \$ 300 for the damage. A motion was made, seconded and approved unanimously to settle the situation.

**New Business:** Tom, K8TB mentioned that in talks with Mike Mitchell from the Red Cross, that Mike would like a low band HF antenna to be hung on the tower. Tom, K8TB made a motion to install a antenna and to purchase a remote antenna tuner for a cost not to exceed \$ 400. Motion was seconded and passed. Bryan, KD8LDX; Nick, KD8JBG and Todd, W8YHF volunteered to install the antenna.

Then Tom, K8TB spoke about talking to Mike Mitchell from the Red Cross about using the Red Cross building on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month, for E.A.T, or Education And Training. The Red Cross will try to accommodate us, but cannot guarantee the large room every time. In such cases, we can then use the conference room. These training meetings will be short, flexible and informal training sessions to educate all amateurs on additional facets of the hobby. Tom then made a motion to adopt the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday as a training night. This was seconded and passed. Bryan, KD8LDX will be the coordinator for that meeting.

Meeting was closed at 7:52 Pm, and the program was Jeff, KB8QAP with a well attended presentation on remote image sensing for the NOAA weather satellites.

Submitted by Tom Bosscher, K8TB, Secretary, Holland ARC