

TIDELANDS AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Minutes of Meeting October 13, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Cookie, K5EWJ, at 1900.

Those present were:

Cookie, K5EWJ (President)
Joe, WA5OMB (Vice President)
Joe, AA5OP (Treasurer)
John, KC5LAA (Secretary)
Louis, WB5BMB
John, WA5UUP
Curt, WB5UZZ
Mike, KK5XA
Rick, KE5BZE
Bo, KT1AA
Dave, K8DY
Dave, KE5PPF
Michael, KT5MR
Wes, KF5UKF
Dan, WA5DLH
Michael, KK5LL

That's 16 attendees.

John read the minutes of the August 11, 2016 meeting. Joe Gallagher asked to add "in Galveston" to the Golden Corral. The minutes were approved by as corrected.

.Joe provided the treasurer's report.

Cookie stated that the nominations for officers were Cookie for President, Joe Gallagher for VP, John doesn't want to be secretary again, and Joe Wileman for treasurer. Bo Thomas, KT1AA, volunteered to be secretary. Cookie also listed the board of directors: Dave Young, Wink Chamberlain, and Bill Steel. John Paterson, KC5LAA, volunteered as a director.

The election will be next month. People elected as officers will take office at the end of the November meeting; the directors will take office the first of January, 2017.

Next month, Lance Rumfield and his wife will present information on a HAM cruise. Cost is usually a little more than \$500.00. We can't use our radio in port unless licensed in that country.

Joe Wileman thanked those who helped on the fun run. He also said that Ed Sauer, a charter member, has passed away. Our tradition is to provide a book in the library as a memorial. Currently there is a \$25 limit. After discussion, a motion to raise the limit to \$50 was proposed, seconded and passed. Then it was proposed, seconded and passed to raise the limit to \$100. Joe Wileman was appointed to take care of the purchase.

Winter Field Day is January 28 and 29. Discussion followed.

Jamboree on the Air (JOTA) will be this Saturday and Sunday.

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Michael Rapp, KT5MR, told us about his interest in 30/40 meter antennas. The sunspots are down. He is using low power on 40 meters. He was using an Ell, up about 20 feet and over 13 or so feet. While shopping at Cabelas he found a crappie pole about 16 ½ feet long. He placed it about 1 ½ feet into a 10 foot piece of 1 ½ inch PVC conduit. So the mast is up about 25 feet. 40 meters is much better now. Michael continued with description of D, E and F layers and use of the grey line.

Meeting adjourned at 2025.

The next meeting will be at the North County Building on Thursday, November 10, 2016.

s/ John, KC5LAA
Recording Secretary