

Yellow Thunder Amateur Radio Club Meeting Minutes –June 6th, 2017

The Yellow Thunder ARC meeting was called to order by President Tom Harrison at 7:06 pm

The May 2017 meeting minutes were presented to the group. Drew(KC9LJK) motioned to accept the minutes as printed, Dave(KB9CSW) seconded the motion, and it passed by unanimous vote. John(N9GGZ) mentions to make note that Automatic Link Establishment (ALE) was used as a communications protocol at SIMCOM this year.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer, Don(K9JYX), reports that we had a balance of \$xxxx.55 as of the May, 2017 meeting. Don took in \$20 in membership dues and had no expenses. This leaves us with a balance of \$xxxx.55. John(N9GGZ) motioned to accept the report as presented. Kyle(KD9IBP) seconded the motion, and it passed by unanimous vote.

Business:

Some discussion on Field Day 2017 (June 24, 25) continued and included who was bringing what items to the site for use that weekend. Tom (N9PQJ) has the tuner interface cable, canopy, antenna loop wire, power distribution cable, and other misc. Don(K9JYX) has AH4 tuner to use with the antennas. Drew(KC9LJK) mentioned that it would be a good idea for the club to purchase power generation equipment for use at Field Day and other various activities, as well as to have available for emergency use. After much discussion within the group, John(N9GGZ) made a motion for the club to purchase generation equipment not to exceed approximately \$2000. Kyle(KD9IBP) seconded the motion, and it passed by unanimous vote. Drew(KC9LJK) will research and make the generator purchase for the club. Camping and setup will start between 5 and 6 pm on Friday, June 23rd at Owen Memorial Park in Columbia County.

Matt(KC9UPE) made a motion for the club to purchase a Signalink kit, compatible with the IC-718 HF club radio for digital operations. After discussion, Dave(WB9WHG) seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote. Matt will make the purchase of the device for the club.

Don(K9JYX) has secured the Badger Steam and Gas Engine Club show grounds as a location for the Circus City Swapfest in August. Tom(N9PQJ) has filed for and received ARRL sanctioning for the fest, which will take place on Saturday, August 26th.

Tom(N9PQJ) mentions that we still have the club-ordered YTARC Field Day t-shirts available that we got last year for anyone who wants to purchase one.

Close: Don(K9JYX) makes a motion to close the meeting at 8:16 pm. Kyle(KD9IBP) seconds the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

The next meeting of the Yellow Thunder Amateur Radio Club will be Tuesday, July 11th, 2017.

Note the July meeting has been moved back to the 2nd Tuesday of the month due to the Independence Day holiday falling on the first Tuesday

In attendance:

Don Evenson(K9JYX)
Warren Draves(W9AGX)
Jeff Alsip(KD9INX)
John Nagler(N9GGZ)
Jim Sharp(N5XNR)
Drew Smith(KC9LJK)
Dave Spearing(KB9CSW)
Kyle Sonsalla(KD9IBP)
Dennis Lemoine(KD9IBQ)
Tom Harrison(N9PQJ)
Dave Parker(WB9WHG)
Matt Noll(KC9UPE)

Respectfully submitted,
Matt Noll (KC9UPE)
Secretary, Yellow Thunder Amateur Radio Club