

## **Yellow Thunder Amateur Radio Club Meeting Minutes –January 2nd, 2018**

This was a combined meeting night with the Sauk County ARES/RACES group.

The Yellow Thunder ARC meeting was called to order by Vice President Dave Parker(WB9WHG) at 7:36 pm in President Tom Harrison's(N9PQJ) absence.

The December 2017 meeting minutes were electronically presented to the group. Don(K9JYX) motioned to accept the minutes as printed. John(N9GGZ) seconded the motion, and it passed by unanimous vote.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer, Don(K9JYX), reports that we had a balance of \$xxxx.xx as of the December, 2017 meeting. Don wrote a check to Pointon Communications for \$250 for rent/utilities at the WB9FDZ repeater site and took in \$40 in membership dues. This leaves us with a balance of \$xxxx.xx. John(N9GGZ) motioned to accept the report as presented. Dennis(KD9IBQ) seconded the motion, and it passed by unanimous vote.

### **Business:**

The YTARC Holiday Party will take place at River's Edge Pub and Grub on County Rd A in Wisconsin Dells on Saturday, January 13th, 2018. We'll be meeting in the bar area at 5:30 pm for socializing and then sit down to order off of the menu at 6:30. Please RSVP to Tom([n9pqj@yellowthunder.org](mailto:n9pqj@yellowthunder.org)) or Matt([kc9upe@yellowthunder.org](mailto:kc9upe@yellowthunder.org)) no later than January 7th if you plan to attend.

Looking forward to next year; discussion on maybe participating in JOTA, a WI QSO Party group effort (possibly including an operating station open to members at the city of Baraboo EOC), a possible presentation on antique radios by someone Don(K9JYX) knows. Drew(KC9LJK) mentions a possible WRPQ station tour and is interested in someone doing a presentation on Amateur satellite work. Other program topics discussed included DMR/DSTAR, info on linked repeater networks in WI, and a shack photo show n' tell night. Dave(WB9WHG) will be working to line up some programs at meetings this year.

Member John Nagler(N9GGZ) proposed a few meetings back that the club make the modification to the YTARC-owned IC-718 HF radio to allow for 60m operation for interoperability purposes with other radio services. After discussion, it was determined that Matt(KC9UPE) will do some research on the topic and report back to the group. Matt will report on this at the February meeting.

Bill Lang(K9ITW) of Badger Amateur Radio Society(BARS), based at UW-Madison, states that their club could use your financial support if you're able to make a contribution. Visit their website at: <http://w9yt.engr.wisc.edu/>

**Close:** Warren(W9AGX) makes a motion to close the meeting at 8:23 pm. John(N9GGZ) seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote.

**The next meeting of the Yellow Thunder Amateur Radio Club will be Tuesday, February 6th, 2018.**

**In attendance:**

Don Evenson(K9JYX)  
Warren Draves(W9AGX)  
Jeff Alsip(KD9INX)  
Dave Parker(WB9WHG)  
William Lang(K9ITW)  
Scott Strain(KC9TTF)  
Dennis Lemoine(KD9IBQ)  
Drew Smith(KC9LJK)  
John Nagler(N9GGZ)  
Matt Noll(KC9UPE)

Respectfully submitted,  
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