# HARC General Membership Meeting Minutes

February 12, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:02pm by Tom, K8TB.

## Secretary's report:

Accepted as posted.

# Treasurer's report (Rich, WA8MTI):

 General Fund =
 \$3,031.11

 Membership Fund =
 \$247.63

 Cash on hand =
 \$30.00

 Total =
 \$3,308.74

Treasurer's report was accepted as read.

# **Upcoming Events:**

# VE Testing:

The upcoming VE Testing session will be on March 10th, 2018.

# "Ham in a Day":

Ham in a Day will be held at 1pm on April 14th at the VictoryPoint Ministries Youth Building. VE Testing follows the event at 6pm. For more information, or to register for the Ham in a Day class, please visit: <a href="http://tinyurl.com/holohiad">http://tinyurl.com/holohiad</a>

#### E.A.T.:

This month's E.A.T. meeting will be held on February 26th, 2018. Jeff, KD8THX will be showing off a prototype soundcard that you can build for around \$20.

### 2 Meter Net:

The 2m net of the Holland Amateur Radio Club is held each Monday at 7:30pm on the 147.06 repeater. All amateur radio enthusiasts are welcome to join the net. Please check in and join the fun! Feel free to reach out to Ed, KF8EV to take Net control.

# Simplex Net:

Plan to be on 2 Meter Simplex at 146.430 MHz, now starting at 8:30pm. This net is headed up by Aaron Folkert, KD8VUN. If you would like to act as net control or have any ideas for improving the net, please contact Aaron. Hope to hear you on the air!

### Ottawa County Skywarn Training:

Thursday, March 1st, 6:30pm – Hudsonville High School

To register, visit <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ottawa-kent-severe-weather-spotter-training-2018-registration-42101467623">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ottawa-kent-severe-weather-spotter-training-2018-registration-42101467623</a>

#### New Hams Dinner:

Held on February 3, at 2:00 p.m. Tom, K8TB and Ken, AC8OF attended.

#### Ham Fests:

Check the aarl.org website: <a href="http://www.arrl.org/hamfests-and-conventions-calendar">http://www.arrl.org/hamfests-and-conventions-calendar</a>

#### Old Business:

## Repeater Site Internet Connection:

The Internet connection has been installed at Holland Hospital.

## Yaesu DR2X Repeater:

We have the opportunity to trade in our DR1 and get the DR2X for \$500 + shipping. Motion to take advantage of the trade-in offer. Motion passed.

#### **New Business:**

## New Meeting Location:

Tom, K8TB: there have been discussions starting at the 2018 Board Meeting regarding a new permanent home for HARC. The VictoryPoint youth building has served us well, but there is no assurance that the facility will be available to HARC on a long-term basis.

The Board has had discussions with the Chick-Owa Sportsman's Club regarding moving HARC meetings to their location. Their facility has a larger meeting room, and we would be able to meet there rent-free, although our meetings would have to move to Tuesday nights.

Motion to begin meeting at Chick-Owa starting with the May 2018 meeting. Motion passed.

Jack, KE8CIO & Jeff, KD8THX suggested that we should investigate bringing in Internet service to Chick-Owa. Jared, KE8GBF will contact Internet service providers to obtain quotes for installation and service.

#### Other Items:

Per last month's resolution, HARC Membership now runs on renewal anniversary date, not the calendar year.

Phil, K8PVH: Our April meeting will consist of a tour of the new Holland Power Plant. Note the special meeting time of 6:30pm. Names and addresses for all attendees must be submitted at least two days prior to the tour. Phil will bring a sign-up sheet to the March HARC meeting.

Nick, KD8JBG: Suggested switching the HARC reflector from Yahoo Groups to groups.io.

The business meeting was adjourned at 8:46 pm.

Submitted: Todd Boss, W8YHF, filling in for: Josh Barnes, KE8DXB Holland ARC Secretary secretary@hollandarc.org

Please contact the Secretary with comments or corrections.