

TAMAQUA WIRELESS ASSOCIATION INC.

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January 16, 2020

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Minutes from the January Meeting

The regular monthly me	eting of TWA was	held on January	16, 2020 at the Tamaqua Municipal
Building, 320 East Broa	d Street, Tamaqua.	Presiding was _	The meeting was
called to order at	PM.		

The following members were present

WY3K, KC3CRS, KB2MXV, K3KAP, KB3FET, KC3NPH,

Previous Meeting Minutes: K3TE

Minutes were distributed via email; a motion was made by:

1.

2.

To accept the minutes of the December 7, 2019 meeting, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: KB2MXV

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If anyone wants to see the bank statement email me.

Motion was made by:

1.

2.

To accept the Treasurer's report for December 2019, motion passed

The membership fee for 2020 has been set at \$25.00. Please make arrangements with Frank, KB2MXV at kb2mxv@gmail.com or find him on our repeater network, or attend a meeting. Thank you for your support of TWA and amateur radio.

11 members are paid for the 2020.

Committee Reports:

Antenna Crew: KA3FUL

ARES County EC: KC3CRS

Finance Committee Report: KB3FET

Taxes for the 2019 year – who are we going to use?

VE Session: WY3K

Test session dates for 2020 are listed. If you would like to become a VE contact Bill and he will get you started. We are always looking for Volunteer Examiners.

VE Test Sessions for 2020					
Month	Time	Location			
April 4 th	9AM	Tamaqua Borough Hall			
June 6 th	9AM	Rear of 320 E. Broad St.			
August 1st	9AM				
November 7 th	9AM				

Schuylkill County Emergency and Traffic Net Manager: KB3FET

Schuylkill Emergency Services NET Totals 2019				
1 st Quarter 2019	2 nd Quarter 2019	3rd Quarter 2019	4 th Quarter 2019	Total 2019
Unknown	50	102	43	195

Date	Check-In's Started at 8:00PM	NET Ended	Total
October 1st	KB2GTY, KC3NPG, N3OGG, KB2MXV,	8:20PM	9
	KC3CRS, W3OFD, N3RZI, WR1B,		
	KB3FET		
October 8 th	KB3GTY, WN3HF, N3JJD, W1RB,	8:30PM	11
	N3RZI, KB2MXV, W3OFD, KC3CRS,		
	N3OGG, KC3NG, KB3FET		

October 22 nd N30 N3J October 29 th No I		8:16PM	7
October 29 th No I	1B, N3OGG, KB3FET		
October 29 th No I	OGG, KC3CRS, N3TQM, W3OFD,	8:00PM	7
	JD, WB3DYE, N3RZI		
NI th No I	Report Given		0
November 5 th No I	Report Given		0
November 12 th No I	Report Given		0
November 19 th No I	Report Given		0
November 26 th N37	TQM, KB3VXB, KB2MXV, WR1B,	8:09PM	6
N30	OGG, KB3FET		
December 3rd W3	BAS, KB2MXV, KB3FET	8:06PM	3
December 10 th N30	OGG, WR1B, KB2MXV, WB2LUJ,	8:14PM	6
KB3	3VXB, KB3FET		
December 17 th KB2	2MXV, W3TKR, KC3CRS, KB3VXB,	8:14PM	9
	2JAY, N3TB, W1RB, W3BAS,		
	3FET		
December 24 th No	Report Given		0
December 31 st K37	TE, KB3AYY, N3OGG, KC3CRS,	8:11PM	5
KB3	3FET		
		Total	43
-	3GTY, N3TB, KB2MXV, N3TQM,	8:18PM	10
KC:	3CRS, WR1B, KB3AYY, K3TE,		
	BAS, KB3FET		
January 14 th			

[.] If you have a minute or two, tune in to 145.370 at 8PM. Jim would love to hear from you.

Roundtable NET at 8PM: K3TE

2018- 51 weeks, 375 check-ins (Tower fell) 2019- 51 weeks, 435 check-ins (Halloween parade) February's NET Control Operators are:

February 5th:

February 12th:

February 19th:

February 26th:

Members are encouraged to check-in. You can find the list of repeater frequencies at www.w3twa.org.

HF NET follows the Roundtable NET: KC3CRS

January 8th HF NET result:

Month	Number	Number of
2019	of Weeks	Check-Ins
January	5	40
February	4	28
March	4	29
April	4	38
May	5	41
June	4	50
July	5	42
August	4	40
September	4	36
October	4	33
November	4	32
December	4	35
Total	51	435

Month	Number	Number of
2020	of Weeks	Check-Ins
January	2	16

Application for Regular Membership: K3TE

Technical Committee - KB2MXV

- 1. Frequency Coordination for the Pottsville repeater has been submitted to ARCC to protect our investment.
- 2. Don Spivak will be notified about installation of antennas at Pottsville.
- 3. K3TE is working on current pricing for the repeater
- 4. As we get closer to April we will need to meet and discuss in more detail about the site.
- 5. Recommendation to insure the Pottsville repeater.

TWA Website & Bulletin Board: KB2MXV

Up to date

License Expiration Notice: KB2MXV

Old Business & Correspondence:

- 1. Update on Schuylkill County Commissioners Office: KB3FET.
- 2. Update on Avenues K3TE: an email was sent to the Executive Director stating that the repeater project will happen after April 15th
- 3. Bylaws update K3TE: Bylaws were printed and distributed to members present.
- 4. Follow up from ABC Highrise donation.
- 5. Christmas Party wrap up K3TE, for the most part the party went well. Some people did not reply to my email. This is why the restaurant was still setting up while we were there. December 5th 2020 3PM to 6PM.
- 6. New Officers are listed on the front page of this report

New Business:

- 1. Certificate of Insurance request was made for: Avenues of Pottsville, Mountain Valley Golf Course, ABC High Rise Building, Schroeder's Tree farm, Tamaqua Borough
- 2. Frank, KB2MXV sent out a questionnaire with notification of your fee this year. Please fill out and send it back to Frank.
- 3. Letters were sent via USPS to members that are in arears or considered inactive. Emails of members have been removed from TWA distribution list until their membership has been updated.
- 4. We did hear from Andrew Kane, he wanted to say "hello to the old timers"
- 5. PP&L Community Grant available from January to March The Tamaqua Library received \$5K in 2019. We will need to give them our checking account and routing number
- 6. Contact Argall's office for additional Grant monies for 2020.
- 7. Boy Scout Merit Badge?
- 8. Hang a sign or two at Tamaqua High School, Walmart, Boyers, promoting Amateur Radio. Also, Home Depot, and other Pottsville "community bulletin boards"
- 9. After the installation of the Pottsville repeater, notify Pottsville Republican for some press coverage with Avenues, Commissionaires, and John Matz.

- 10. Fund raising for 2020? Joe Corbies Pizza? Tommy's Pizza and Hoagies, or Piercaini's Market?
- 11. Jackets for the club? https://shop.aramarkuniform.com/style?assort=catalog&style=401
- 12. We received an email about holding a class on Technician Level test. Any interest in promoting a test session on our website to see if there is any interest?
- 13. Received a Christmas Card back from Representative Neal Goodman.
- 14. Received an email from W3OFD about section manager: George Miller EPA Section Manager w3gwm@arrl.org (570) 250-1007

Good for the Order:

- 1. Schuylkill ARES NET Tuesday 8PM.
- 2. TWA Roundtable NET Wednesday 8PM
- 3. Looking for NET Control Operators. You will only work once a month!
- 4. Our next regularly scheduled meeting will be February 20th, Thursday 7PM (weather permitting) at the Municipal Building, 320 E. Broad Street Tamaqua

With	their being no	further	business,	a motion	was m	ade to	adjourn
at	PM	by:					
	1.						
	2.						
	Motion passed						

Minutes prepared and submitted by K3TE

Wells Fargo Business Choice Checking

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Questions?

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Activity summary	
Beginning balance on 12/1	\$1,676.81
Deposits/Credits	100.00
Withdrawais/Debits	- 114.84
Ending balance on 12/31	\$1,881.97
Average letter halance this period	\$1 669 65

Account number: 8404743810
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