

Highlands County
Amateur Radio Club
Meeting Minutes

May 18, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 7 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Norm Shiver, KD4GMK.

Old Business:

April minutes were read by Rosie Shiver, KI4TIE

The Treasurer's Report was given by Fred Seely, AA4ME. The Club funds amount to \$4,427.01 as of May 11th.

Roy Loweke, AF4HV, reported on the HCARC Web Page. The Picnic pix will be retired in one week.

Rosie Shiver, KI4TIE, reviewed the Wednesday Nite Nets.

The ARES update was given by Bob Meyer, WA0NZI. ARES participated in a hurricane preparedness demo at Florida Hospital, Sebring..

New Business:

The proposed change to the Club By-Laws was read by Fred Seely, AA4ME.

The membership roster was discussed, and according to the By-Laws, needs to be purged since dues are due by the March meeting.

The no-show of the audience for the Lake Placid Library demo was explained, although the HCARC members who attended were well prepared to present the demo.

The Nature Fest at Hardee Lakes Park went well and is expected to be repeated next year.

The need for a new power supply for the 147.045 repeater was discussed and a maximum of \$300 for the purchase was approved by a vote of 17-0.

Fred Seely, AA4ME, gave a short overview of plans for this year's Field Day.

Don Roberts, W4CBS, related his experiences at this year's Hamvention in Dayton, complete with maps and charts. He also donated a CD of the 2006 Callbook. to the Club.

The program was given by Ed Porter, Jr. AG4ZMEd bought in 5 different 2 meter antennas that he has constructed, all of which he assembled using commonly found inexpensive materials. Ed also spoke about the places he used he had for each of the five antennas, and how good the operation was of each.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:36 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Rosie Shiver, KI4TIE, HCARC Secretary