

MARPLE-NEWTOWN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
MINUTES OF MEETING
MARCH 1, 2018

BOARD: **President - Joe Gray (N3LMV)**
 Vice President – Harold Dalton (KC3IAN)
 Secretary - Connie Kester (KC3GPW)
 Treasurer - Sheila Gray (KB3TVK)

All Board members except Connie Kester were in attendance. There were approximately thirty four (34) members in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER:

VP, Harold Dalton, called the meeting to order at 7:05p.m., welcoming all in attendance. Each attendee introduced himself/herself by call sign and name.

Joe announced that Vic Tenaglia (N3IO) is willing to give classes for licenses if there are interested parties. Please contact Vic if you have an interest in a class.

OFFICERS' REPORT(s):

Vice President, Harold Dalton, opened the meeting and announced that we will have the annual auction at the next meeting. He reminded members to bring the equipment they wish like to sell and label it with the minimum bidding price.

President, Joe Gray, gave a brief synopsis of the February meeting Minutes. All were reminded that the Mid-Atlantic Club has a 9:00 a.m. breakfast meeting on the second Saturday of each month at the Country Squire Diner, to which all are invited. The February 2018 Minutes were approved.

Treasurer, Sheila Gray, announced that there was a balance in the Club's account as of Feb 1, 2018 of \$3,461.56. Dues in the amount of \$580.00 were deposited in the account since the last meeting.. The Club's current balance is \$4,041.56. Current membership: 39 paid members, 50 unpaid as of 3/1/2018.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mike Thomas (KB3SUS) provided the call-in totals to the repeater for February, 2018. There were a total of 589 contacts. This is an average of 21 contacts per net. There were 581 contacts last year in the same month, February 2017. The year to date total for the 2018 is 1,172 versus 1,228 in 2017 for the same time frame.

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A hard copy of the statistics for the month/year was provided to Treasurer, Sheila Gray.

Sheila Gray requested approval from the club members to purchase a locked cabinet and coffee maker to store refreshments for meetings on a permanent basis at the Gauntlet Center. The motion was approved with a maximum spend of \$300.00.

Because of technical difficulties there was a delay in the presentation. Jim Goldman went home to get his PC so that the presentation could be held. To fill the void, there was discussion among members and the Fifty/Fifty was held early. Money collected was awarded along with two extra door prizes.

Presentation started around 7:50PM

SPEAKER/TOPIC:

Royd Nuckols (K3RJR) gave an interesting presentation on FEMA's response in Puerto Rico as a result of the two hurricanes that hit in 2017. The presentation began at 7:50 p.m. and ended at 9:05 p.m.

REMINDER:

The Club's next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 5, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

All business having been conducted after the 50/50 drawings, the meeting was adjourned by Joe Gray at 9:05PM.

APPROVED:

By: _____
JOE GRAY, President (N3LMV)
Marple-Newtown Amateur Radio Club

