* President Ben Poff, KN4VIF called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm EST. The location was Chota Recreation Center, Loudon, TN.
* The Club “Sunshine” report noted no concerns.
* The new admin team each gave a brief biography about their experience and journey through ham radio and gave a synopsis of their hopes for the club as it moves thorough out the coming year.
* Program was presented by Tim Montgomery N4TLM and covered topics for the programs going forward this year followed by a presentation about homebrew antennas with examples. No specific order or schedule for upcoming programs was presented.

**\*\*\*\* BUSINESS SESSION \*\*\*\***

* Ben Poff KN4VIF acknowledged prior distribution of the DRAFT meeting minutes from Dec 3, 2022. Brad Berger had provided comments concerning a guest at the meeting Wendy Haney and that she was also a Ham operator and her callsign WE0NDY should be included in the minutes. Mike Wagner KK6OKU moved to adopt the minutes as revised. They will be filed on www.TLARC.org.
* Officer Reports –

President Ben Poff KN4VIF:

* Ben KN4VIF welcomed all attendees to the meeting.

Vice President Tim Vice Montgomery – N4TLM:

* Tim N4TLM had no additional comments for the club as he had presented the proposed topics for the program earlier in this evenings program.

Treasurer John Kiley – KB4TV:

* The end-Dec Financial Report included –
  + Total end-Nov balance = $4,277.58
  + Repeater fund = $1,545.00 = $1,545.00– $0.00 in expenses.
  + General fund = $2,732.58 end-Dec balance + $80.00 in deposits ($80.00 in new member dues ) + $170.00 (Payment to Jeff Buffington for Club Website Work)

Secretary Bob Antion, WL7RV (now ND4P):

* There were 65 ACTIVE Club members on the Club roster as of the meeting.
* Ben KN4VIF reminded attendees to renew their membership dues for 2023. Payment is due by Jan 31, 2023, and members, who have not renewed as of Feb 1, 2023, will be declared INACTIVE.
* Meeting attendance was 21 active members.
* After a discussion of how a member could check if their dues were paid, Bob WL7RV agreed to send all members who had not yet paid an email letting them know that they had not yet submitted them.
* Standing Committee Reports (Permanent) –

Repeater - David Weikert KF4DKW:

* No report presented.

Net Control – George Heron – N2APB:

* No report but wants to start collecting and reporting statistics about the net.
* Special Committee Reports –

Financial audit report was submitted by George Heron which indicated that he and the members of the audit committee had met and determined that the financial situation of the Club is in great shape. He will be submitting a written report on this committees activities and findings.

* Special Orders (Required in By-Laws) –

No Special Orders reported.

* Unfinished Business –
* By-Laws amendment:
  + The proposal to amend TLARC By-Laws Section 6, Paragraph 3 by replacing the requirement to prepare and present the Club’s annual financial report “by January 1” with “at the regular meeting in January” of the following year. The written proposal was submitted and adopted at the Nov 16, 2022, regular meeting and discussed at the Dec 3, 2022, meeting for a membership vote at the Jan 18, 2023, regular meeting (3/4 majority of active members in attendance). If approved, the amendment would allow sufficient financial review time to comply with the By-Laws reporting requirement.
  + There was no additional comments or discussion and the existing motion by David Andrews N1ESK was seconded by Jim Jenkins AA1J. Motion was passed with a unanimous vote.
* Post Office Box
  + The subject of the mail box was discussed – Richard W8CNY reported that the mailbox expired at the end of February and that the post office had informed him that the cost had almost doubled to $320.00 per year. Tim Montgomery reported that he had looked on-line at the “UPS Store” and that they were advertising apx $10.00 per month but he had not actually talked to the retailer.
  + A spirited discussion ensued where various other methods were discussed from simply using email to a mail forwarder (like used by the RV community) to having a club member volunteer their mailbox for club use.
  + It was also suggested that whoever received the mail should make a report to the club members at the regular meeting as to the club mailings received.
  + John Kiley – KB4TV volunteered his mailbox as did others George WB9TFR, Bob WL7RV.
  + It was also discussed that since Chuck N4CSF is the clubs registered agent that he might volunteer to be the keeper of the mailbox.
  + In the end it was decided that Ben KN4VIF was going to discuss this possibility with Chuck N4CSF however, we would accept John Kiley’s offer (and would move forward with Johns offer until we heard from Chuck N4CSF.
  + Ted W1EG made a motion to proceed with that understanding – that Chuck N4CSF would be consulted and if he accepted the clubs address would change to Chucks and if he rejected the idea that Johns address would be used. The motioned was seconded by Mike Wagner KK6OKU and approved unanimously.
* Club Banner Alternatives – tabled by Ben KN4VIF
* Website Ben KN4VIF
  + Extra storage was dropped reducing the monthly cost.
  + Ben is asking for metrics to see how the site is used.
  + Ben is keeping his finger on the pulse of the industry to stay abreast of changes and trends.
  + He also reminded the club that the cost of developing the site has been basically free as we are not being charged for the web development.
* New Business –

No New Business discussed.

* ANNOUNCEMENTS (Hamfests, Contests, Items for Sale, etc) –
  + Skywarn Training Mike Wagner KK6OKU reported that SKYWARN training for this year is being offered in Madisonville on Feb 23 and is being taught by National Weather Service. See the mcares.net website for sign up. He also mentioned that certification is required every 2 years.
  + George N2APB stated that he was impressed with the short bios that the new admin team presented at the beginning of the meeting and stated that he would like to see ALL club members write up a short bio for publication on the club website.
  + Alan – K1AT mentioned that there were 2 candidates for VE testing which was going to take place on Jan 24th at 7pm at the Rec Center. He also indicted that there had been a couple of folks who had signed up and jumped through the hoops and were never heard from again. He suggests that the VE team require candidates to be members of the club or require them to join.
  + Winter Field day is coming – last weekend of January
  + Planning for field day is already underway, contact Tim N4TLM for info.
* Adjournment –

Motion: Ashley KQ4CEK; Second: Alan K1AT. The meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm EST.

Respectfully submitted by Bob Antion ND4P, TLARC Secretary.