

**TIDELANDS AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY**

Minutes of Meeting January 14, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 1905.

Those present were:

Eric, KF5RUW (President)  
Cookie, K5EWJ (Vice-President)  
Joe, AA5OP (Treasurer)  
John, KC5LAA (Secretary)  
Louis, WB5BMB  
Mike, AC0TX  
Dan, WA5DLH  
Michael, KT5MR  
Wink, N5ECE  
Rick, KE5BZE  
David, KE5PPE  
Curt, WB5UZZ  
Joe, WA5OMB  
David, KI4WSP  
Kerry, KF5WDU  
Ron, K5HM  
Bill, WA5WVP

That's 17 attendees!

John read the minutes of the Dinner meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

Joe provided the treasurer's report.

Traffic:

Joe apologized for lack of lunch from the Weather Service at Skywarn Recognition Day. Said if he had known, the club would have provided lunch.

The treadmill is still at the Presbyterian church. Also a 2 meter antenna, a television set – Joe has a mover for the TV, and office furniture.

Cookie said he would like to have the antenna.

Bill reminded us that the Orange hamfest was coming up on February 27 at 0700.

Ron Litt, K5HM, reminded us that the Greater Houston Hamfest was coming up on the 18 and 19 of March and that Riley Hollingsworth, former FCC top cop, would talk.

Cookie talked about programs to have and mentioned packet and D-Star.

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Eric – Upcoming events:

Winter Field Day, January 30 at Anchor Park around 11 AM

Texas City Disaster special event on April 16, conflicts with Belton.

Museum Ships on the Air (ACOTTX) – June 4-5.

Field Day – June 25, 26.

Hamfest July 16. Cookie, K5EWJ, volunteered to be chairman

Cookie mentioned we need to contact vendors.

Joe mentioned the hamfest is registered with ARRL.

Next was a discussion of JOTA, the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of October. Scouts we have worked with before did not participate last year. We can still operate without scouts. Just work the scouts on the radio.

Cookie Program: Antennas:

Cookie showed us a method to erect a 40 meter/ 80 meter dipole using an AlphaDelta center connector. After erection, tune the 40 meter first, then the 80 meter.

Bill Program:

Bill showed us a printed circuit board he had printed with his 3D printer. He also 3D printed a code key that works.

Meeting adjourned at 2045.

The next meeting will be at the North County Building on Thursday, February 11, 2016.

s/ John, KC5LAA

Recording Secretary