TIDELANDS AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Minutes of Meeting June 9, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Cookie, K5EWJ, at 1900.

Those present were:

Cookie, K5EWJ (President)
Joe, WA5OMB (Vice President)
Joe, AA5OP (Treasurer)
John, KC5LAA (Secretary)
Louis, WB5BMB
Wink, N5ECE
Bo, KT1AA
Michael, ACOTX
John, WA5UUP
Mike, KG5MNE
Rick, KE5BZE
Michael, KT5MR
Rudy, KF5QYG
James, W5AOO

That's 13 attendees!

John read the minutes of the May 12, 2016 meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

Joe provided the treasurer's report.

Cookie talked about Museum Ship Weekend. They made about 30 contacts, 5 or 7 ships. There was a lot of rain. They set up 40 meter dipole in the rain. It rained all day until about 1400. Cookie tried a polyester shirt, which dried fast.

James, W5AOO, mentioned that several TARS members were at the Elyssa. Also discussed 20/40/15/17 meters.

Cookie mentioned that Field Day will be at Highland Bayou Park in LaMarque.

Bill, WA5WVP, reported on his search for shirts. He found 2 kinds. Cookie found another at Academy. Much discussion followed.

Joe, AA5OP, led a discussion of food for Field Day.

Cooke brought up prizes for the hamfest. Discussion followed. There was a motion to let Joe find best price Yaesu 8900 for the grand prize.

Michael, KT5MR, gave a presentation about learning Morse code online with the CW Academy. A lot of discussion on code followed.

Joe, WA5OMB, gave a talk about NVIS. He referenced http://solarcycle24.com, and described how critical frequency is important for NVIS.

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Meeting adjourned at 2100.

The next meeting will be at the North County Building on Thursday, July 14, 2016.

s/ John, KC5LAA Recording Secretary