



Baldwin County Amateur Radio Club (KI4ELU)

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Minutes of the Regular Monthly Club Meeting held February 21, 2019:

The meeting was called to order at 19:03 hours by President Ron Thomas. There were 27 members and 3 guests present. There was a quorum present.

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Minutes from the January 2019 meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Joel Emmett gave the report of the audit committee. Details of the report were made available to the members.

Rich Lee gave the treasurer's report, noting a new format. The ending checking account balance for 1/31/2019 was \$1,275. The ending savings account balance for 1/31/2019 was \$4,381.70.

VE-Report:

Rich Lee reported that at the January VE testing 4 candidates were tested and all passed their exams; 2 techs and 2 generals. At this time guests and new hams were welcomed.

Old Business:

Under old business, Ron reported that the SET (simulated emergency test) event this year would include two adjacent counties, Clark and Escambia. As usual we are looking for members who hold at least a tech license who can work as rovers. Also members who like to work in the ham shack should check with Ron or Ray. Again, the members were encouraged to look into taking the online FEMA emergency management courses so that they would be approved to work in the shack should the EOC be activated because of an emergency event. The club has a new computer in the shack that can be used for this purpose.

New Business: none.

By the way of a program, Ron talked about his goal of seeing the club adopt as a project, the creation of a local and county wide AREDN network. Much work has already been done in the county to create such, and many more nodes are needed at club member's locations to make the network resilient. We have an opportunity to put up a new node on a tall tower in Spanish Fort, and Ron will be coordinating this project.

Ron asked that the club consider paying a climber to install the needed equipment. Some questions regarding the need for liability and personal injury insurance arose and were discussed. Ron offered to investigate further.

With nothing for the good of the club, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted,

Joe McIntosh, K4JOM

Secretary