

Walton Radio Association Meeting Minutes for January 9, 2011

Meeting Called to Order at 1402 hours by President Richard Kelly

In attendance: W2RRK, KB2RLH, AC2EM, N2WDV, AB2IC, KC2IKQ, W2TKB, AA2RM, WB4AEF.

Minutes of December 19, 2010 read for information only (Secretary not present due to illness).

Treasurer's Report: (as given to President via phone call from Treasurer): Beginning balance \$2320.16; took in \$60 in Dues; took in \$77.71 in returned funds from Arnie Weiss; new total = \$2457.87

Nets: CW--20 Check-ins

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Old Business: None

New Business: the newly elected President asked who the Activities Manager is/was for the Association as there is an Officer's position for that title. Adin Miller spoke of what Paul Rogers (SK) had done in the past, such as arrange for ARISS contacts with the Walton School, set up the annual summer picnic, set up the 4 places and dates for dinner night with members & spouses, get a guest speaker and set up the annual Fox Hunt. President Kelly notes that it appears there is still plenty of significant information and fun to be had and learned by having this Officer in the Association so notification will be sent out to all members to see if someone is interested in doing this job.

Dennis Klimowski was asked how the solar electric project for his house is coming along. He notes that on sunny days he is able to get 1-2KW output. It is a 24 volt battery bank setup.

John Hampel reported on the current sun spot cycles & lack thereof--possibly there are some magnetic field changes going on. There is documentation dating back to the 1700's of sun spot activity.

John Nichols reported on possible geomagnetic changes at the South Pole. Also, the North American continent has moved slightly north in the last 10 years.

Adin Miller asked whether anyone was interested in starting up the club newsletter again. Rich Kelly suggested that the general membership be asked, along with anyone's spouse that may be interested in doing it.

Dues money was collected from W2RRK, AA2RM, WB4AEF, W2TKB, KC2IKQ, KC2JVD. President Kelly collected the \$60.00 and will send a personal check to the Treasurer for that amount.

Next meeting will take place on February 6, 2011 at 1400 hours at the Walton Fire Station.

Refreshments will be provided by TK and John Hampel.

Adjournment: Motion Made, Seconded, Carried for Adjournment at 1437 hours.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard Kelly, President