

Polk County Amateur Radio Association 1732 Forest Circle Balsam Lake, WI 54810 www.N9XH.org

April 12, 2014

Polk County Government Center - Balsam Lake - Wisconsin Note: Breakfast was held at Main Street Cafe, Balsam Lake.

Attendance:

Rick W9WS, Mel KF6OZ, Robert KD6TWC, Greg W9GDH, Steve N0XC, Ben KC9ROI, Fred AB9LV, Ed W9ABA, Chris KC9NVV, Bill K9WEN

09:00 Meeting Called to Order

Rick W9WS, President called the meeting to order. Welcome to guests!

Treasurers Report:

• Chris KC9NVV PCARA Treasurer – Reported the club's bank balance.

Old Business:

Rick W9WS reported a desk has been found for the Luck Historical Society ham radio exhibit.

New Business:

- Congratulations to Chris KC9NVV and Greg N9CHA for locating a "stuck transmitter" for Barron County Emergency Management. Using DF techniques, they determined the transmitter was located at the Barron County Sherriff's Office, associated with the 911 center.
- POSTPONED: PCARA Constitution and By-Laws Amendment.
- The PCARA leadership held a meeting on March 15th to discuss current and future club matters.
- Field Day was discussed. A leader for this year's event is being sought.
- Dues can now be paid for via PayPal. A link will be placed on our website.
- Ben KC9ROI and Steve NOXC updated the group on his progress with the K3 to AH4 interface. A new surface mount board was developed and an article for QEX is in the works.
- A new Facebook page has been developed by Chris KC9NVV and Kirk KD9AKU.

ARES/RACES:

Chuck WD9GWG, EC for Polk County was not in attendance

Skywarn:

- Chris KC9NVV provided updates regarding Skywarn activities
- April 24th is the NWS "test" so be ready for the 1-call and check into the repeater

Program:

• The May program will be presented by Dale W9DKB on antenna tuners. He will show various models and discuss the purpose of a tuner and how they work.

Meeting adjourned: 10:00 am

Respectfully submitted by: Greg N9CHA PCARA Secretary Special thanks to Chris KC9NVV for his meeting notes as Greg was unable to attend.