



Polk County Amateur Radio Association
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Polk County Government Center - Balsam Lake - Wisconsin

Attendance: Rick W9WS, Greg N9CHA, Dale W9DKB, Chuck WD9GWG, Chris KC9NVV, Ed W9ABA, Jon KC9PJG, Bill WY9E, Mel KF6OZ, Robert KD6TWC, Steve N0XC. Special recognition to Mel and his wife Ona as they leave our area for Missouri. Everyone thanked him for his contributions to the club. They will be missed!

09:12 am Meeting Called to Order: Rick W9WS, President, called the meeting to order. No guests were present this month, welcome to those members who attended this month.

Treasurers Report: Chris KC9NVV, PCARA Treasurer - Reported the club's bank balance.

Old Business: Rick W9WS - Insurance on club assets. Modified reporting and asked for new quote. Now total due per year \$160. Rick covered this year's insurance payment. Thanks Rick!

New Business: Rick W9WS, Reminder - Nominations for club officers in November. Reminder - Club dues and any changes to roster start in November.

Skywarn: Chris KC9NVV reported no activity.

ARES/RACES: Chuck WD9GWG – Reported the successful completion of SET2014. He thanked those members who contributed their time, Rick W9WS, Bill WY9E, Ben KC9ROI, Dale W9DKB, Greg N9CHA, Carlos N9GIM and Chris KC9NVV. Chuck also pointed out the favorable feedback from Kathy Poirier, Polk County Emergency Management. Agencies served included the American Red Cross, Salvation Army and Polk County Human Services. New this year was the addition of email. The hamshack and portable laptop were equipped with email addresses. Chuck suggested an additional VHF radio be added to the hamshack to monitor the WECOMM repeater system. He also asked for additional hams to staff the hamshack. Thanks to Chuck for all his hard work in organizing this year's SET and for serving as our Emergency Coordinator.

Chris KC9NVV - Announced the Wisconsin ARES/RACES Conference - October 18 - Wisconsin Rapids. He and Greg N9CHA will be in attendance.

Program: Steve N0XC had his Elecraft KX3 portable transceiver kit with him. He explained the features of the radio and how he and his son Ben KC9ROI recently used the package at a Boy Scout camping trip.

Meeting adjourned: 10:07 am

Respectfully submitted by

Greg N9CHA PCARA Secretary 2014