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**ATIKOKAN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB  
MEETING MINUTES  
12 JANUARY 2012**

*Note: these minutes have not yet been approved by the membership.*

Meeting convened at 7:30 pm at Warren's QTH, 144 Willow Road.

Present: Warren VE3FYN, Vic VE3AKX, Nick VE3SEF, Jason VE3PEJ, Paul VA3JSV

- 1) There were no minutes to review.
- 2) Club station updates
  - VE3RIB
    - a) Replacement power supply to be installed soon. VE3AKX advised that a 0.5uF electrolytic capacitor be run to ground to reduce the hum.
    - b) VE3FYN will check with VE3CEP regarding status of tower that was taken down at the Highway 622 MTO site. Perhaps it could be donated to the club.
  - VE3UPP link
    - a) VE3UPP is back on the air as of 14 January.
    - b) It is linked to VE3RIB.
    - c) Signal reports are welcome.
    - d) DTMF commands usable from VE3UPP are on club website.
  - VA3EOA radio station update
    - a) VA3UOD and VE3FYN to install new computer.
    - b) New location imminent.
    - c) New UPS batteries required, VE3FYN will ask Town of Atikokan to supply.
- 3) Review of ongoing projects
  - a) Service Monitor: VE3FYN reviewed the club's contribution of \$180 to cover the shipping of a service monitor purchased by VE3FYN (for \$1390). The monitor belongs to VE3FYN, but will be used largely for maintenance of club equipment.
  - b) Club Station: Chris VA3UOD and Jason VE3PEJ have expressed an interest in helping to develop an equipment list for the club station. VE3FYN will contact them and arrange a meeting. VE3FYN will also follow-up with Garth Dyck at Town Hall regarding the offer for the club to use the airport building.
  - c) Balloon launch remains on hold

- d) Weekly nets have not been terribly successful of late. Nets will be cancelled for the time being, with members encouraged to participate in the following two weekly VHF nets:
    - Amethyst ARES net on IRLP reflector 9031, Sundays at 7:30 local
    - Ontario ARES net on IRLP reflector 9035, Sundays at 7:45 local
  - e) Radio manual: Still on VE3FYN's desk.
  
  - f) Club Constitution: VE3AKX and VE3FYN will review Draft #2 against the incorporation application. VE3FYN will check with Post Office on the cost of a P.O. box for the club.
  
  - g) Annual dues: \$25 / person, people are encouraged to pay soon.
- 4) VE3FYN will look into the date of ARRL's Youth Day and see if there is interest in running an event.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm