

Minutes, TCARC Board Meeting, 4 December 2008
7:00 PM, Arby's South, Champaign IL

Present:

Mike Trautman K9MLT, President
Larry Mohr K9LMM, Vice President
Chris Anderson W9CMA, Secretary
Al Wolfe K9SI, Director
Wayne Hamilton AB9FJ, Director

1. Chris distributed the minutes of the November 2008 Board meeting. Larry moved to accept it as printed, Al seconded, motion carried with no objection.
2. The Treasurer's Report for November 2008 was distributed. Al moved to accept it as printed, Larry seconded, motion carried with no objection.
3. Old Business:
 - a. Somer Township/Ford-Harris Park Emergency Operations: No action.
 - b. Letter to Somer Twp requesting use of Park for Field Day 2009: Chris still awaiting information from Ralph.
 - c. Social Events: Plan for a chili supper in February.
 - d. Auction is tentatively set for April 11.
4. New Business: See the latest newsletter for information on a foxhunt which was held November 16.
5. Vice President's report: Deb N9DN has a presentation on D-STAR/D-RATS for January. Chili supper in February. Al has volunteered to do a presentation on fractal antennas, possibly for April. May or June may be a program on software-defined radios.
6. Repeaters: We are still without an Internet connection at the W9YR site. Larry will inquire with AT&T for their rates. Al noted we might also experiment with various antennas/wireless methods to get it to the site.

Larry moved to adjourn, Wayne seconded. We adjourned.

Addendum:

9 December 2008, Fire Service Institute Building, 7:00 pm, TCARC meeting, 20 attendees.
Al K9SI explained how a "circulator" allows the use of the same antenna for two repeaters and demonstrated a Time Delay Reflectometer, a device to analyze feedline/cables for damage.