

**MARC – Mountain Amateur Radio Club Meeting Minutes**

**101 South Main Street. #8-323**

**Hiawassee, GA 30546**

<http://www.mtnzrc.org>

**Minutes – 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2019 6:30 PM      68th MARC Meeting**

**Call to Order: Bob Bonnett KI4MRZ for Gene K4ZLK**

**Welcome to Members and Guests.....**

**Attendees:**

Gene Roll	K4ZLK	(President)
Bob Bonnett	KI4NRZ	(Vice President)
Bob Wilton	KF5TPQ	(Secretary)
Gig Smith	KI4OYJ	(Treasurer)
Alton Higgins	W4VFZ	
Steve Arnold	KN4AZT	
Chuck Hastings	W3PJ	
Duane Ledford	KJ4CFV	
Nancy Miller	KJ4KG	Guest
Patrick Miller	KK6DBX	Guest
Bobby Sapp		Guest
John T. Clemens		Guest

**Confirmation or Quorum (7)**

**7 members present**

**Minutes from prior Meeting** – Additions, Corrections and Approval by Vote

**Treasurers Report** – Gigi – KI4OYJ – \$889.59 - Report Approved

**Old Business:**

1. Chatuge Hospital update – Participated in the first Sunday of the Month Hospital Nets (3-3-2019) on site at Chatuge Regional Hospital. Worked with the Hospital IT and resolved the IP Address/Port issues for D-STAR DVAP and these issues are now resolved. Testing was performed with 2M and DigiRepeater HW/SW, and no luck yet – testing will continue at the next Sunday Hospital Nets. Met with Dan Wickersham and Wendell Farmer to begin work on a SOP, MOU, BBA between Chatuge Regional Hospital and Towns County ARES. Those that would like to be on the team should pursue their Georgia ARES badge. Instructions are on the GA ARES website – [www.gaares.org](http://www.gaares.org).
2. Radio Room Update – Chuck and Gene have installed an End Fed antenna and Tuner and we now expanded band coverage for 10-80 M. Also, W4VFZ has a Drake TR7A (gifted from Arthur, WA5JFT) for the club after it gets a little TLC
3. ARES Connect – All active Towns County ARES members have registered on the ne ARES Connect program and we are actively using it to document sign in to our Net and log hours.
4. Reminder - Chuck discussed that even though propagation is challenging, there are times when the bands are active. Watch for the different contests that take place on certain weekend as you will be able to make multiple contacts.
5. New Officers have been approved.....  
  
Bob Bonnett, KI4NRZ    President,  
  
Gene Roll, K4ZLK        Vice President,  
  
Bob Wilton, KF5TPQ    Secretary,  
  
Gigi Smith, KI4OYJ     Treasurer
6. COAX Crimper tool kit / PowerPole kit has been identified and approved for purchase.
7. Thanks Alton for a great presentation on resistance/voltage/ current and Power Supplies....

**New Business:**

**Next Meeting** – Jun 5th, 2019

**Future Presentation** – Impedance, inductance, capacitance, (antennas for example) - Alton

**Call Motion to Adjourn.**

**Signed** , Bob Wilton, KF5TPQ, Secretary