InterCity Amateur Radio Club Monthly Meeting – March 1, 2019

President Duane, K8MDA, called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

Minutes – Dave, N8DPW, moved to accept minutes as read. Danny, W8DLB, seconded motion. Approved

Financial report - Danny, W8DLB, moved to accept. Seconded by Dan, AB8SI. Approved.

Membership - Currently at 45 members.

Health and Wellness - Bill Martin, N8TQ, lost his wife.

Education -

PIO – Dan, AB8SI, gave brief overview of ham station on international space station

<u>Tech Committee</u> – Dave Weigold, N8DPW, 444.70 amp is weak. Board has agreed to have VASU look at it for possible repair or replacement.

ARES -

<u>ARRL</u> – Danny, W8DLB, again reminded everyone to sign up for ARES Connect. 211 now has radio stations set-up on their premises. There will be a DX contest this weekend. Field Day will be held at South Park. We will have the Blockhouse and Log Cabin. June and July are full of events to participate in. See Danny if interested. Danny will be teaching the spring Skywarn classes. Date, time and location to be determined.

Old Business –

Hamfest -

Harry, N8XMI, gave financial report. Results are the best since 2014. He also noted there is a downward trend in ticket sales these last several years.

Danny, W8DLB, thanked all that helped with set –up. It went very quickly. PayPal was a big help. \$200 was donated to the Girl Scouts who sold gate tickets. Next year Danny would like to see more hands on exhibits such as 'how to program your radio'. We should also check into having a 'Scouts on the Air' information table. Danny also suggested taking ARRL officials to supper the evening before the Hamfest as was done in the past.

Some negatives Danny noted; Complaints from public regarding purchase of bad equipment. He suggested the club have a table were equipment can be checked before leaving the Hamfest. More volunteers are needed.

New Business -

Duane, K8MDA, presented resignation of Scott, N8SY. The floor was opened for nominations to fill the vacancy. Duane, K8MDA, nominated John Ness, K8NJ. Danny, W8DLB, nominated Tom Miller, N8TWM. Secret ballot was held. John Ness, K8NJ, was elected to the Board.

Duane, K8MDA, reminded everyone the Ham of the Year Banquet is coming up soon and asked for suggestions on where to hold it.

It was also noted elections for President, Vice President, Secretary and 1 Board position are coming up.

Dan, AB8SI, made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Harry, N8XMI. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Yonally, KB8YPW, Secretary, InterCity Amateur Radio Club