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**ATIKOKAN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB  
MEETING MINUTES  
07 FEBRUARY 2011**

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

Meeting convened at 8:30 pm in the AEDC Training Room.

Present: Warren VE3FYN, Vic VE3AKX, Paul VA3JSV, Jason, VE3PEJ, Erik VE3ENL, Chris & Nick Ladouceur, Cliff Pointer, Kyle Bimm, Carol Gosselin

1. Minutes from January meeting were reviewed:
2. VE3FYN reported on the status of club stations:
  - a. VE3RIB is fully operational, including APRS digipeater.
  - b. IRLP system is fully operational, except for a mild hum at the far end of the link, caused by a ground loop. VE3FYN is working on the problem.
  - c. VE3UPP repeater is down as a result of a request by Environment Canada, and so the link is temporarily unavailable.
  - d. VA3EOA station is now operational on VHF and HF. Internet connection has been re-established. The club purchased a TNC-X TNC to replace the soundcard interface that failed. VE3FYN will build and install it as soon as it arrives.
3. VE3FYN reported on the status of the proposed Huronian repeater.
  - a. Establishing a repeater at Huronian may need to be delayed.
  - b. The Town is working on establishing a low-power community broadcast station on the FM band. The Club will provide a 150' tower we have access to, if the Town will move it. The Town may also install a larger repeater shack at the site.
  - c. Environment Canada would like to establish an Internet connection at the site.
    - i. VE3AKX will talk with Bell tomorrow morning about the possibility of a Bell solution.
4. Weekly nets are conflicting with the Basic course, and will be postponed until it is complete.
5. Club constitution will be developed once Basic course is complete.
  - a. VE3FYN updated on recent changes to RAC member insurance, which does not provide insurance to RAC members who are not members of RAC affiliated insured clubs.
6. White Otter Castle Ski Event.
  - a. The club will try to provide communications by setting up VE3AKX's mobile station at Brown's Clearwater Lodge to establish a repeater link, and a simplex link to the skiers.
  - b. If possible, and APRS station will also be setup.

- c. Chris has volunteered to work at the Clearwater Lake station, but a licensed amateur is also required.
- d. VE3ENL and VE3FYN will provide comms for the skiers.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.