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Next TAARS Meeting

Our next TAARS meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 19th, 2013, 7:30 PM at the COA Building "C" C109. Our dinner location is the Golden Coral at 6:00 PM.

Minutes

President Dave AJ4NV called the meeting to order with seventeen member and two guests present.

The minutes of the previous meeting, as posted on the TAARS website, were approved. The Treasurer's report was given by Herman NO4Y and approved.

NOTE: I was unable to attend this meeting. I am doing this newsletter and minutes from information provided by several members.

New Business

- Champ, K2IUN, spoke about the article in the September issue of QST, that was written about our Linc Mott,
- The Virginia Beach Hamfest is on September 14, 2013. The web site is <u>www.vbhamfest.com</u> for more information.
- Skywarn Meeting, August 22, 2013 at Capt. Bobs, on Rt. 17, in Hertford. Time 12 noon.
- Al Onley, K4VNV, gave a report on the Columbia Meeting, and a discussion was about the needs of the Outer Banks. The Outer Bank needs links, for the repeater for Dare County. Mike Cohoon, KB4TOH, and Jim B, will meet to decide what options we have to reinforce the Outer Banks.

- The tower was talked about and that it could take three months to fix. It needs to be moved to a Lower area.
- Al Onley advertised a dual receiver FM 4 watts Free Shipping \$33.00.
- Dave mentioned that Katina was reviewing the TAARS By-Laws/Constitution which states, among other issues, that the association needs four directors. Tom Ponte agreed to go over the by-laws to keep us legal.
- Meeting closed at 8 PM.
- Testing session scheduled for Saturday, October 20th
- Next meeting to discuss our Christmas party. Tentative date: December 13 at 6:30PM

Fun Facts:

Perfect number 73:

How is 73 the perfect number? As explained by Shelton from "The Big Bank Theory" – "The best number is 73. Seventy-three is the twenty-first prime number. Its mirror, 37, is the twelfth and its mirror, 21, is the product of multiplying [hang on to your hats] 7 and 3. In binary, 73 is a palindrome: 1-0-0-1-0-0-1, which backwards is 1-0-0-1-0-0-1."

In CW it is a palindrome as well! _____ [73 information from David Sharber, AJ4NV]