

# SEMARA Club Meeting Minutes

## July 2020

Call to Order: 7:05

Salute to the Flag: Yes

Roll Call of Members Present: 15 Virtual, 4 in Clubhouse

Moment of silence:

Life member **Brad Paiva, W1BEP (sk)**, died within the last month.

Secretary's Report (Armand Augustine, **W1BUG**):

Motion and Second to accept report posted on the bulletin board and Website

Treasurer's Report (Mike McDonald, **KB1NB**):

Inflow. None.

Outflow. 677.00

Lawnmowing: Item 1. 220.00

Misc.: item2 457.00

Total Balance. \$165,911.00

Security deposit 12,000.00 (explained to membership)

Spendable cash \$153,911.00

Motion made and accepted to refer Treasurer's report to audit.

Standing Committees:

*Building and Grounds:*

Marty Jordan, **KA1YFV**, reported everything was good, building cleaned, and grounds are neat. Luzo order has been received.

*Technical:*

President Marcel Dumont, **W1MJD**, reported that IRLP link was offline due to a problem. Rick Cabral, **W1RJC**, was contacted by President Marcel Dumont, **W1MJD**, and he said that a card was bad. Not yet fixed but Rick said that he would have it up and running by the weekend

*ARES/skywarn/races*

Ed Caron, **KA1RSY**, reported meetings are on the first Monday of the month and urged members to join in. Things are quiet now. There were no questions

*Radio Events:*

Bob Kelley, **K1KVV**, reported he had no knowledge of operating SEMARA radios in digital modes. He said there were no instructions available at the club.

The IC-7300 is a brand-new radio just put online and it has been tried only a couple times.

Questions on antenna coax cables about no markings to identify each cable. A discussion started and concluded that markings of the antennas be made.

Tim Smith, **N1TI**, suggested that anyone or group that proposes acquisitions be their responsibilities to have everything set up and instructions available. It received favorable comments. **No motion was made.**

*Web:*

Nothing to report.

*Communications:*

We have 2 offers for the old beam that was taken down. One offer wants to come in to cut it up and sell it; he offered \$100 for the beam but he has no time to dismantle it. It was proposed that we ask for \$150 and we would dismantle it. a motion was made and seconded to offer it as such. If the person refuses it, we'll just have the other man come in and take it away for scrap.

Someone else wants to buy the K3 radio that is not in working condition. A motion and second was made to sell this radio to the interested party for \$200 which would be a very favorable offer.

Ratification of New Members:

There were no new members to be ratified.

Old Business:

President Marcel Dumont, **W1MJD**, brought up putting up the last tower against building for the installation to put the X-Beam on if there is a member who will take responsibility to assemble the antenna.

New Business:

Paul Sadeck, **K1PGS**, asked if enough VE examiners were available because of Brad Paiva, **W1BEP**, death. We do, but he will apply to be an examiner.

Good of the Club:

Bob Kelley, **K1KVV**, suggested that the Treasurer provide a procedure for making SEMARA payments.

He also said he would like people to learn about and use new equipment.

Motion to Adjourn: 8:20pm

Respectfully,

Armand Augustine. **W1BUG**

Secretary

cc: Marcel Dumont, **W1MJD**; Bob Kelley, **K1KVV**; Bulletin board