SEMARA Business Meeting November 2, 2023

Meeting called to order at 7:10PM

There were 18 members present at the club and 4 via Zoom.

SECRETARY REPORT

The security report for the October business meeting is posted on the bulletin board. Motion to accept the reports as posted was seconded and voted in favor unanimously.

TREASURERS REPORT

The treasurer reports that we have:

Checking and savings: \$98,893 T-Bills: \$121,681 Total: \$220,580

Does not including the Blue Sky \$12,000 deposit)

Income: \$43,945 total which includes \$734 interest from Treasury Bills.

Expenses: \$3,727 total which includes \$2,466 property taxes and \$200 Amazon gift to Greg

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Motion to accept and send to audit; Motion was seconded and voted in favor unanimously.

BUILDINGS and GROUNDS

Marty Jordan reports everything is OK.

The siding contractor will look at the porch and give us an estimate to repair it.

Marcel said he was still trying to get in touch with the electrician to replace the lights outside. IT was suggested that we try to find another electrician.

Insulation was installed in the radio room in the old AC vents and the cable entrance panel to stop the drafts.

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

Alan is on vacation and hasn't been available to work on the tower.

A technical work party was set for Saturday November 4 to tune the 40/80/160 antenna.

ARES and SKYWARN

ARES is holding a Section Emergency Test (SET) on November 11 and will also be testing winlink.

RACES net Monday November 6 at 1930

REPEATER

The 220 repeater antenna and cable is still waiting for Alan to repair them. AT&T has been working on the tower replacing their equipment so ALAN didn't want to conflict with their crews.

WEBSITE

Marcel is still trying to reach Rick Cabral.

COMMUNICATIONS

The club received a letter from the insurance regarding renewing the policy

The club also received a letter from the town regarding an abutter doing work on their property with a public meeting date.

RATIFICATION of NEW MEMBERS

Two applications for life membership one from David Rotondo, WA1YDH and John Visser, AC1QC, that were accepted at the October meeting, were brought up for a final vote. A motion was made and seconded to accept the applicants as life members, voted unanimously in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

It was mentioned that the casters on the four (4) chairs in the radio room were degraded and the chairs don't roll properly and should be replaced. A motion was made to spend up to \$300 to buy new casters. Motion was seconded and voted unanimously in favor.

GOOD OF THE CLUB

It was mentioned that the club should explore a by-law modification to change the term for the elected officers from one year to two. No further action was taken at this time.

NOMINATION FOR OFFICERS

Marcel clarified, now that we are using the meeting owl and Zoom that members need to be present at the club in order to vote.

Nominations were opened and the following were nominated for:

President: Marcel Dumont W1MLD
Vice President: Larry Ferreira WA1GXV
Secretary: Joseph Barros K1EZ
Treasurer: Mike Mc Donald KB1NB

Board of Directors: Joe Krisnosky N1IXC

J.P. Chiron AG1Y

Richard Netinho AC1JG

Trustee: Ed Caron KA1RSY

Motion to close nominations was made, seconded, and voted unanimously in favor.

Nominations will be opened again at the December meeting.

Motion to adjourn at 8:15 was made, seconded and voted on unanimously.