



Southeastern Massachusetts Amateur Radio Association

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SEMARA April Business Meeting

- April 5, 2007

Meeting called to order by Louie-W1CH at 7:00 PM.

A roll call of members present showed 28 members present, and 1 guest.

Secretaries Report:

Eric- N1WCO motioned to accept the report as posted on the website
The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report:

The treasurer was not present at this time in the meeting, and the report was read to the membership by Armand-W1BUG. Andy- WA1FNM motioned that the report be referred to audit. It passed unanimously.

Standing Committees:

Technical Committee:

Dave-W1DJG reported that station-logging system was up and running now. He stated that work on the antennas would commence as soon as weather permitted. The Vertical antenna needs repairing, as does the 80 meter antenna leg. He announced that the broken keyer that members had asked to be auctioned off could be. It was no longer useful to the club. It would be auctioned at the end of the next meeting.

He asked that anything that anyone thought needed attention be communicated to him, and he would check it out.

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Building and Grounds:

Mike- N1ITQ reported that the club should be realizing substantial savings in heating costs due to the fact that vents and ductwork had been repaired, and also the heat had been shut off to the hut now that it was empty. He thanked those that were responsible for the work involved in emptying the hut and setup of the temporary station in the main hall.

Scholarship Committee:

No one present to report

Aires/Skywarn:

Rob-KD1CY reported that the P3 Hurricane Hunter aircraft would be at Quonset Point, in Kingston RI on Monday, April 30 between the times of 3:00–6:00 PM. There will be a large Amateur representation. There will be a Special Event station on air. It should be a large event.

The next exercise is to take place on the first Monday in June, between 7:00 and 9:00pm.

Communications:

None

Ratification of New Applicants:

2 applications were received.

Davis C. Bruce (no call)

Keegan Lamp- KB1OLI

Mike-N1ITQ motioned that they be accepted, and it passed unanimously.

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Presidents Comments:

Louie-W1CH asked for a round of applause for the job that was done by the members who cleaned out the hut and transferred contents to the storage trailer. Members of the “New Building Committee” and others did it. The radio station was moved to the main hall as a temporary arrangement. Thank You to all that assisted.

Old Business:

It was noted that the broken keyer, mentioned in the “technical committee report, will be auctioned at the end of the next meeting. A notice will be made via the reflector.

John-WA1ESO reported that it would cost \$350-\$500 to get an evaluation of the condition of the main building by a Mass Licensed contractor. He motioned that the club hire the contractor at \$350 to inspect the building and give us a written report as to the condition of it. There was some discussion and it was unanimously approved. The report will be presented at the next meeting.

New Building Committee:

Dave-K1JGV passed out a handout detailing estimated costs of the removal of the hut, and also removal of the total structure. (See attached at end of this report). It stated approximately \$3400 for total removal of the hut and permits needed. He has a commitment from a contractor to knock down and remove the debris from the property for \$2500. The rest of the expenditure would be for fees, and environmental inspections.

The estimate for the total demolition of the buildings standing would be \$9300. There was much discussion. He stated that the committee was taking “baby steps”, and this was just one of them. Next month, there should be a complete proposal on the floor for



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membership approval. He reiterated the work involved and time spent on such a project.

New Business:

Mike-N1ITQ motioned that \$3500 be allocated from the treasury for the removal and disposal of the hut. There was much discussion. Some questioned the necessity of approving this at this meeting. It was noted that this was just to get the demolition price locked in, and that no demolition would be actually undertaken until the membership had voted on which proposal that they wanted to pursue. Certainly, no demolition would be done before the May Meeting! The motion passed with 4 against.

Mike-N1ITQ motioned for the club to assign 1 person (new building committee chairman) to be the spokesman for the club at the Town Hall. He stated that some members had gone to the town hall to question and discuss these matters without club approval. The motion also included a provision that any member doing so, should be reprimanded. The motion was approved unanimously.

Bill-WA1FYF noted that the by-laws as they have been rewritten over time are not the ones that the state has on file. They have the original copy of the by-laws submitted in 1977. He cautioned that some of our procedures being used might not be acceptable according to the documents that are filed with the state authorities.

For the Good of the Club:

Mike-N1ITQ announced that there would be a gigantic scout weekend held at Ft. Taber Park on Columbus Day weekend. He asked if the club would be willing to setup a station there so that the scouts would be able to work on their communication badges. There was no action taken



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Nominations for Board of Trustee Vacancy:

John-WA1ESO nominated by Louie-W1CH

Nominations will be accepted up until the May meeting.
Notice will be given on the Reflector.

A motion to adjourn was made by Larry-W1DBX
It was passed unanimously with no discussion
Meeting Adjourned at 7:55 PM

Respectively Submitted

Armand Augustine, Secretary



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ATTACHMENT 1

David Dean

From: "David Dean" <K1JGV_21@msn.com>
To: "Dave Dean" <K1JGV_21@msn.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 04, 2007 8:38 PM
Subject: FIGURES

*****FIGURES*****

HERE ARE THE FIGURES FOR THE PRELIMINARY SAMPLE FEE,
ENVIRONMENTAL INSPECTION/DISPOSAL FEE AND THE DEMOLITION
OF THE HUT:

PRELIMINARY SAMPLE FEE.....\$50.00
ENV. INSP. /DISPOSAL FEE.....\$750.00
SUB TOTAL.....\$800.00
DEMOLITION PERMIT.....\$100.00
DEMOLITION OF HUT\$2500.00
SUB TOTAL.....\$2600.00
GRAND TOTAL FOR HUT ONLY.....\$3400.00

HERE ARE THE FIGURES FOR THE PRELIMINARY SAMPLE FEE,
ENVIRONMENTAL INSPECTION/DISPOSAL FEE AND THE DEMOLITION
OF THE HUT AND THE MAIN BUILDING:

PRELIMINARY SAMPLE FEE.....\$100.00
ENV. INSP. /DISPOSAL FEE.....\$1500.00
SUB TOTAL.....\$1600.00
DEMOLITION PERMIT.....\$200.00
DEMOLITION OF HUT/MAIN BLDG \$7500.00
SUB TOTAL.....\$7700.00
GRAND TOTAL FOR HUT/ BLDG.....\$9300.00

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ATTACHMENT 2

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Sent: Wednesday, April 04, 2007 8:47 PM
Subject: FIGURES

AS IS EVIDENT BY THE FIRST PAGE, THE COST OF THE REQUIRED ENVIRONMENTAL INSPECTION / DISPOSAL OF THE HUT AND MAIN BUILDING IS APPROX DOUBLE THAT OF THE HUT ALONE.

AS IS ALSO EVIDENT BY THE FIRST PAGE, THE COST OF THE DEMOLITION OF THE HUT AND MAIN BUILDING IS NEARLY TRIPLE THAT OF THE HUT ALONE.

73, Dave K1JGV Building Committee Chairman