

Southeastern Massachusetts Amateur Radio Association

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SEMARA July 3, 2008 Business Meeting

The July 3rd, 2008 business meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by the President **Louie**, **W1CH**. The salute to the flag was followed by a roll call. A quorum of 22 members and 1 guest was present.

Secretary's Report was accepted as published on the SEMARA.ORG web site.

Treasurer's Report (Mike, KB1NB): Mike, KB1NB reports that the club treasury is comprised of two accounts. The certificate of deposits no longer exist. Total funds on hand between the existing checking and savings account is \$31, 882.81. Mike reports that the remaining balance is spoken for . Outstanding expenses are anticipated for the soil removal (around \$13k depending on fuel costs), \$5k for the Licensed Site Professional (engineer responsible for reports to state agencies) and an additional \$3k for our attorney's retainer. Frankcorp expenses are also anticipated.

Mike offered a motion to add \$3k to the attorney's retainer which passed unanimously.

Major expense for the month of June was Federal Taxes of \$1,110 and \$700 State.

A refer to audit motion passed unanimously.

Standing Committee Reports

Building and Grounds: (Mike, N1ITQ resigned before the July meeting as Chairman). John, W1ZYV offered a motion to appoint Marty Jordon, KA1YFV as new Building and Grounds Chairman. Motion passed unanimously.

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Repeater/Technical Committee (Dave, W1DJG): Dave, W1DJG reports that the new Comcast cable modem was swapped out and the club's internet is now back up and running. Dave called attention to the new club computer, the Dell Vostro 200 with new flatscreen LCD monitor is now online and running. The old club computer will be rebuilt by N1TI and designated as the new club station computer. With the crash of the old station computer it appears that logbooks were lost and backup can not be located. Dave asks that if you have made backup of the logs or know of their whereabouts to contact him

Building Renovation Committee (Dave, K1JGV): Dave mentioned that the shingling project is progressing (two thirds complete) despite his disappointment in having 9 members sign up and a somewhat smaller group showing up for work. Dave is also concerned with the feedline arrangement and would like to coordinate with the technical committee to clean up the cabling. Dave also reported some grounds work in the garden areas in the front and grass cutting by he and Jim Gilbert in the back.

Communications: The club received a new membership application from Ernie Diagnault (no call). Motion to accept Ernie as new member passed.

Special Committee Reports

Website (Tim, N1TI): Routine updates.

Old Business: none

New Business: Larry, W1DBX brought up the issue of Chris Smith, K1CJS resignation and the recent discussions on the reflector. After a brief discussion, Jerry, W1AFD offered a motion to defer discussion to the Board of Directors for discussion and recommendations to the membership. Additional discussion regarding what it permitted on the reflector for discussion. Tim, N1TI noted that the reflector is not presently being moderated and that all members are open to post about any topic. The only moderation in force is emergency moderation barring any profanity.

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For the Good of the Club: Tim, N1TI announced that SEMARA member Bob Zeida, N1BLF of North Dartmouth has received a Quarter Century Wireless Association Presidential Honors Award for his volunteer work with the Massachusetts Talking Information Service, the Courage Center Handiham System, as well as devoting countless hours of reading and recording hamrelated material for the blind and visually impaired. Bob received a warm round of applause in appreciation for his contributions.

Tim, N1TI announced that the ARRL Eastern Massachusetts Section Manager campaign is underway and promoted the candidacy of Mike, W1MPN who is challenging the incumbent, Art, K1GBX. After a brief statement regarding W1MPN's qualifications, Tim asked for a show of hands who would likely support Mike which resulted in a majority response. (An invitation to participate in a group photo signifying their support after adjournment of the meeting).

Mike, KB1NB mentioned that he was presented with a receipt from Dave, W1DJG who picked up sodas at a good price of 27 cents per can (a total of \$10.09). W1DBX offered a motion to reimburse Dave, W1DJG for the purchase. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion to adjourn passed unanimously at 7:40 p.m.

The 50/50 raffle was administered by Dave, W1DJG after the meeting adjourned. Tim, N1TI donated a new Lexmark color printer to include in the winnings. Joe Hampson, W1JFI won half the pot and a new printer. (Total jackpot amount will be reported later).

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Smith, N1TI Secretary

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Date: 7/3/08

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