



SOUTHEASTERN MASSACHUSETTS AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION, Inc.



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Meeting Minutes November 5, 2009

The meeting was called to order by the President Louis (W1CH) at 7:03 PM with the salute to the Flag. There was a roll call with 18 members present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

A motion was made and seconded to accept the report as printed in the "ZERO BEAT" and as posted on the bulletin board. The motion was seconded and the members voted unanimously to accept the report.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer was not present for the report. A motion was made and seconded to refer the report to Audit. The members voted unanimously.

STANDING COMMITTEE'S

Buildings and Grounds

A letter was read by the President Louis (W1CH) from Dave (K1JGV) with reference to the present status of the building and grounds. A copy of the letter is attached to this report.

Scholarship Committee

Joe K (N1IXC) reported that the Committee has met several times and has done a revamp of the scholarship objectives and requirements. This will be brought up to the BOD and membership at a latter date.

Technical Committee

Tim (N1TI) reported that we now have 5 additional IP addresses and they will be configured by Rick (W1RJC). The 900 MHz repeater is operation well and with the new IP addresses we will be able to tie in Echo link and IRLP and link other repeaters. The next big project is to take the log periodic antenna down and repair it to original specs. There are several bent elements that should be repaired. The 2 meter repeater is running well.

The web site is status quo and Tim (N1TI) will be stepping down as the administrator. We need to appoint a new administrator.

OLD BUSINESS

Chris (W1EAV) reported that he does have a buyer for the 400 MHz radio that we had in the club and is looking for a 900Mhz radio to replace it.

Marcel (W1MLD) reported that the hard-line that we donated to Swansea EMA for their new facility is gone and the area was cleaned up and the deteriorated reels were disposed of by the Swansea Highway Department They did a great job cleaning up the area and the hard-line belonging to the club was placed in the storage trailer for safe keeping. This project took two days to do and Al Costello was a big help in this project allowing us to use some of his equipment and himself. A big thank you to Al and the Swansea Water and Highway Departments.

NEW BUSINESS

Marcel (W1MLD) spoke about the fact that he would be doing some communication work for the Town of Dartmouth Board of Health. When he gets more information he will bring it up to the club for those interested in helping.

COMMUNICATIONS

Bob (K1KVV) reported that he received one resignation from a member. He also sent out several sympathy cards for our recently deceased members.

GOOD OF THE CLUB

FARA Fest will be held on Saturday November 7, 2009.

SKYWARN, there are no training programs for this year. A new program will be started next year. There will be an ARES drill on the 14 th of November.

NOMINATIONS

As chairman of the Nominating Committee, Tim (N1TI) asked each present officer and Trustee and Board of Directors if they were still interested. He also asked for nominations for any of the positions. The following nominations were presented.

President -----Louis (W1CH)

Vice President ---- Bob (K1KVV)

Secretary ---- Marcel (W1MLD)

Treasurer---- Mike (KB1NB)

Director --- John (WA1LSH)

Joe K (N1IXC)

Brad (W1BEP)

Trustee---- Louis (W1CH)

If anyone else wishes to be nominated please place your name on the board and notify Tim (N1TI) before the December business meeting.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:44 PM. Voted unanimously.

Respectfully submitted

Marcel (W1MLD)