



# SOUTHEASTERN MASSACHUSETTS AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION, Inc.



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## Meeting Minutes August 5, 2010

The meeting was called to order by the Vice-President Bob (K1KVV) at 7:10 PM with the salute to the flag. A moment of silence was held for the step mother of John (WA1LSH). The Roll was called with 19 members present.

### SECRETARY'S REPORT

A motion was made and seconded to accept the report as published in ZERO BEAT and as posted on the bulletin board. The motion was accepted by a unanimous vote.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer Mike (KB1NB) reported that the balance in all accounts is \$33,507.79. A motion was made and seconded to refer the report to audit. The members voted unanimously.

### STANDING COMMITTEE

#### Buildings and Grounds

The handicap restroom is almost complete. The handicap rails still have to be purchased and installed. The previous money appropriation should handle the rails. The electrician should be in soon to finish the electrical work. The front door will also be replaced. The appropriation of \$300.00 was asked for to finish the both projects. A motion was made and seconded and voted unanimously.

#### Scholarship Committee

Sonny (K1USW) reported that the letters will be going out next month for next years scholarship. A class will be given by several members for amateur license certification. There will be further information at a later date.

#### Technical Committee

Dave (W1DJG) reported on the antenna removal. The cost will be \$400.00 for the crane and \$100.00 for a climber. This price will be times two for removal and replacement.

The new 2 meter antenna has better coverage than the station master and has been working very well.

Dave (W1DJG) will make the arrangement to get the crane and climber.

### **Repeater**

Rick (W1RJC) reported that the new controller for the 900 repeater is in and will be installed within the next few weeks. The link radio will also be installed within that time period. The ARES and RACES drills went very well and our repeater and new antenna is doing a great job. The computers will be sanitized and discarded.

### **Radio Events**

Bob (K1KVV) reported that many events are listed in the "ZERO BEAT"

### **Tech Talks**

Eric (N1WCO) reported that he has one booking for November 18, 2010 which will be a woman speaking on the Marconi Station. We need to have a good audience. It should be advertised well.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

A motion was made and seconded to approve \$1,200.00 for the removal and reinstalling of the log periodic antenna on the 85 foot tower. The motion was approved unanimously. This will be done soon.

Eric suggested that we look into the Flea Market issue. After some discussion it was decided to defer it to next year since we have missed all of the advertising deadlines.

### **GOOD OF THE CLUB**

Dave (K1JGV) said he had someone willing to cleanup the front gardens and would like \$20.00 per week. He has already done some work and would like to be paid for that work. The treasurer requests an invoice for that work. There was some discussion and was suggested to take the money from the monthly allotment for Buildings and Grounds.

Rick (W1RJC) made a suggestion to get a dumpster so that we can cleanout the storage trailer and either sell or dump the useless material in the trailer. It was suggested to get prices and possibly sell the metal parts.

Marcel (W1MLD) reported that a 2 or 3 page letter was typed and unsigned and sent to various department in the Town of Dartmouth. This letter stated that there were many illegal repairs and installations done in and around the clubhouse. This was done without permits. The fact is that we do have all the permits as required. This letter was written by a member and should be reprimanded.

### **Adjournment**

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. This was voted unanimously at 8:07 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Marcel Dumont (W1MLD) Secretary