

Radio Events

Bob (K1KVV) spoke of contests posted in Zero Beat and other ARRL events. Kids Day will be on Saturday June 18, 2011. Field Day will be Saturday June 25, and the 13 Colonies event will be July 1 through 5. Operators are needed. Ben (W1NBV) mentioned it would be nice to get operators for a VHF contest.

Repeater

Ben (N1WBV) stated that the 900 IRLP node seems to have a hardware issue they are looking into. The amplifier on the 2 meter repeater will be looked at soon as it is currently running at lower power.

Website

Ben (N1WBV) stated that the website is running well with no problems.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

ARES, RACES, SKYWARN

Ed (KA1RSY) spoke about the recent successful Hurricane Awareness Tour at Otis AFB as well as progress of the Southcoast Hospitals HEAR network.

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Bob (K1KVV) spoke about the upcoming "13 Colonies" event, asking for volunteers to operate.

COMMUNICATIONS

Marcel (W1MLD) read a letter of thanks from recent scholarship recipient, Amanda Mendes.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

Marcel (W1MLD) made comments as follows:

1. Restroom: In a conversation with several authorities including the new Building Inspector, it was determined that the proper course of action would be to continue obtaining the variance, as the AAB still has final jurisdiction over the local authorities.
2. Special BOD Meeting: The Board has summoned Mr. Robert Simcik to a hearing regarding complaints from other members. This meeting will take place Saturday, June 11, 2011 at 10:00 am. Recommendations as a result of this meeting will be brought to the full membership at the next business meeting.

3. Roof repairs: Repairs to the roof have been completed. There was no need to replace plywood roofing. Seals around the vent stack were replaced.
4. ARRL Equipment Insurance: It would be a good idea to look into ARRL Equipment Insurance for the club. The cost is very reasonable for the protection afforded by such a policy.

OLD BUSINESS

There was brief discussion regarding details of the roof repairs.

NEW BUSINESS

Dave (K1JGV) spoke of the need for more help with upkeep of grounds. After discussion it was determined a key for the shed would be left locked in the building and Dave will also look into pricing from landscapers.

Ben (N1WBV) spoke about the wireless router/access point. The current unit does not support current encryption standards and can easily be breached. Also, with the expanding network needs the current switch is insufficient and an upgrade should be purchased. After some discussion a motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to allocate an amount not to exceed \$250.00 for needed computer network equipment.

Brad (W1BEP) mentioned that there will be a tech talk regarding cameras and security on Thursday, June 16, 2011 at 7:00 pm.

Marcel (W1MLD) mentioned that he was in contact with NSTAR regarding the light to be installed on the utility pole. Progress is being made regarding details and installation.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE CLUB

Ben (N1WBV) has two people (not SEMARA members) to operate Field Day on June 25th and 26th but would like more operators. Anyone wishing to assist would be greatly appreciated.

Bob (K1KVV) mentioned the need for an Activities Director to organize come club events. A tailgate party is to be scheduled for September and someone to chair that event would be appreciated as it is getting close to advertising deadlines.

ADJOURN

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously voted to adjourn at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marc M. Dumont (KB1ODE), Secretary

50/50 Raffle: The winner was Joe K. (N1IXC).