

SOUTHEASTERN MASSACHUSETTS AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION, Inc.



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Business Meeting Minutes September 4, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by the President, Marcel (W1MLD) with salute to the flag. The roll was called with 24 members and 1 guest present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously voted to dispense reading the report and accept as posted on the board and in Zero Beat.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer, Mike (KB1NB) reported total balance on hand of \$78,477.00, income of \$7,080.00 and total expenses of \$94.78. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously voted to refer the report to audit.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Technical

The Technical Committee is looking for a chairman.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

ARES, RACES, SKYWARN

The RACES drill is scheduled for this coming Monday, check-ins are welcome.

Radio Events

Bob (K1KVV) advised of several events as posted in Zero Beat and online.

Repeater

Rick (W1RJC) advised that the Yaesu Fusion program discussed at a past meeting has been discontinued due to lack of stock. IRLP/Echolink upgrades are expected to be completed soon with new node numbers and more improvements are to come.

There was discussion regarding DMR/Mototrbo motion approved at the August meeting. As a result, a motion was then made to rescind the motion passed at the August meeting to accept DMR system from MARC group and table discussion on mixed mode radio and to focus on other projects, additionally to notify in writing the MARC group of this decision. The motion was seconded and unanimously passed.

Web

Rick (W1RJC) advised that the website was running well and that upgrades will be done in the future.

OLD BUSINESS

The President, Marcel (W1MLD) advised membership that the town of Dartmouth building department was requiring compliance with a town bylaw which requires a total of 6 paved parking spaces due to the total square footage of the building once the addition is completed. After discussion, a motion was made to give the President the authority to proceed with the foundation plan, then apply for a variance for parking and acquire a building permit as required and cause the building to be built. This motion was seconded and unanimously approved. An estimate was submitted to the membership by Jose Melo Construction to build and connect the addition connector on an existing foundation and build a handicap ramp for the amount of \$28,750.00. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to accept the bid, subject to the approval of the Finance Committee.

NEW BUSINESS

Rick (W1RJC) advised members of a stability issue with the 220 repeater system. After discussion a motion was made to allocate up to \$200.00, with the approval of the Finance Committee, to replace crystals on the 220 repeater system. This motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE CLUB

Bob (K1KVV) reminded members of his upcoming resignation as editor of Zero Beat. Other topics discussed were the possibility of a radio contest, upcoming VE session on October 4 at 10:30 a.m. and the request by Dartmouth Police for volunteers to assist routing traffic for the Dartmouth 350 Birthday Parade the coming weekend.

ADJOURN

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Marc M. Dumont (KB10DE), Secretary



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