

Gloucester County Amateur Radio Club
Board of Directors Meeting
November 25, 2015

The meeting was called to order by President, Jim Wright, N2GXJ, at 7:00pm at the Club House in Mullica Hill.

Board members in attendance were:

Jim Wright, N2GXJ
Al Arrison, KB2AYU
Sheldon Parker, K2MEN
Dan Tremolini, N2TXG
Jeff Garth, KC2WCS
John Zaruba, K2ZA
Chuck Colabrese, WA2TML

A reading of the October 21st board minutes was read and approved by the members present.

The Treasurer's report was submitted by Al Arrison, KB2AYU. Net inflow for the calendar year through October 21 was \$7,922 against expenditures of \$5,996, netting \$1,926. Total reported in all accounts was \$17,234. Al noted the annual audit of the treasurer's books was planned to occur in a few days. The report was approved by a vote of the members present.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Clubhouse- Al Arrison, KB2AYU, reported some problems with the video aspects of the security system. He also said the DVR required repair. An energy monitor had been partially installed, requiring only final completion of web software requirements. He also suggested that the club explore some remote thermostat monitoring for the electric heating system. Chuck Colabrese, WA2TML, reported he had been collecting information on a supplemental propane heater for the meeting area. He said he expected the price for the unit itself would be approximately \$325 but that all suppliers he checked were out of stock for the 30,000 btu unit. Jeff Garth, KC2WCS, noted that Frank Messick, W2FJM, had done a lot of painting on the interior clubhouse walls and that Joe Schevlin, KC2PHM, had made 3 custom brackets for the fire extinguishers which Jeff later installed.

Tech Saturday - John Zaruba, K2ZA, said the upcoming topic would be an open forum, entertaining questions posed by those attending.

Programs – Jim Wright, N2GXJ, discussed organizing topics for our 2016 monthly general membership meetings. Several topics were discussed but no action was taken.

Repeater – Jim Wright, N2GXJ, discussed forming a new repeater committee to address Gary Bendy's report assessing the performance of our 2 mtr system and recommending modifications and equipment replacement. Jeff Garth, KC2WCS, posted Gary's report into Crosstalk. Jim noted that Gary generously offered to donate six new duplexer cans to replace the 4 currently in use. John Zaruba, K2ZA, offered to have the 4 old cans swept and adjusted. Jim noted several on site electrical issues needing attention and suggested a licensed electrician to perform the repairs.

OLD BUSINESS

Jim Wright, N2GXJ, reminded members that our nominee slate for the 2016 election to be held in December was complete and consisted of unopposed candidates.

NEW BUSINESS

The following member applications were received for review:

Roger Jordan	W4RFJ	
William Dennys	KD2DAO	
John O'Connell	K2QA	(Life membership)

The applications were approved by a vote of the members present.

Jim Wright, N2GXJ, inquired about the trailer insurance coverage which had been discussed prior to the meeting. Chuck Colabrese, WA2TML, said the insurer, Cumberland Insurance, had appraised the trailer at \$54,000 but our property coverage was for only \$25,000. He said an additional annual premium of \$85 would be required to increase our coverage. A motion was made and approved by the members present to appropriate and spend an additional \$85 for the additional property coverage.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:28pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheldon Parker, K2MEN