Gloucester County Amateur Radio Club Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Wednesday, August 21, 2019

Meeting opened @ 1902 Hours by President James Clark Sr, KA2OSV

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Attendance:

President Jim Clark Sr, KA2OSV Vice President Tony Starr, WA2FZB Treasurer Al Arrison, KB2AYU Recording Secretary John Zaruba Jr, K2ZA Corresponding Secretary Ron Block, NR2B Director Jeff Garth, WB2ZBN Director Herb Dyer, KT2Y

Director Chuck Colabrese, WA2TML

Director Bill Price, NJ2S Director Jeff Welsh, KD2AZI

Trustee Mark Gottlieb, KK2L

Member John O'Connell, K2QA

Member Gary Reed, N2QEE

Previous minutes approved as read by voice vote of directors present.

Treasurer's report:

YTD Income: \$2808YTD Expenses: \$3097

• Net: (\$289)

Well over budget on Clubhouse electric bill. Will have to be adjusted next budget cycle.

Report approved by voice vote of directors present.

Committee Reports:

Repeater Committee: Herb Dyer KT2Y reported on the 2M repeater upgrade. 70cm repeater (DR-1) placed back in service after an extended repair. Discussed adding voice board to 2M repeater for remote control and voice messages. Al Arrison KB2AYU discussed adding battery backup power for 2M repeater. John Zaruba K2ZA reported that the 70cm repeater now has a remote WIRES-X node associated with it available for Club members use.

Hamfest : Bill Price NJ2S discussed t-shirt logistics, tasks, and duties for the event. Mark Gottlieb KK2L secured an amplifier and speaker for presenters to use. Discussed re-introducing the QLF giant key contest at the hamfest. Mark discussed door prize commitments.

VE Testing : Gary Reed N2QEE reported on some issues at the last testing session. Three candidates tests are in question due to some irregularities.

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Old Business: None

New Business:

Tony Starr WA2FZB suggested looking into using Skype for some of the BoD meetings versus meeting in person.

Chuck Colabrese WA2TML commented that he really likes Periscoping the General Membership Meeting. Suggested investigating improved audio hardware for a better experience.

Chuck Colabrese WA2TML reported Ken Newman N2CQ is at home on hospice.

Chuck Colabrese WA2TML congratulated Jeff Garth WB2ZBN and Herb Dyer KT2Y on the excellent Club picnic.

Bill Price NJ2S discussed possibility of acquiring solar panels for the Clubhouse.

John Hill W2HUV e-mailed in a question about possibly adding a battery backup to the IC-7300 to prevent power failure induced reboot visits to the Clubhouse.

New member application:

• Robert Owens, KD2SIO: Technician Class from Millville, NJ

Approved by voice vote of directors present.

Meeting adjourned @ 2002 Hours.

Respectfully submitted, John Zaruba Jr, K2ZA Recording Secretary