

# Gloucester County Amateur Radio Club

## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

### Wednesday, July 19, 2023



Meeting opened @ 1901 Hours by President Jonathan Pearce WB2MNF.

#### ATTENDANCE :

- President Jonathan Pearce WB2MNF
- Vice President Ron Block NR2B
- Treasurer Alan Arrison KB2AYU
- Recording Secretary Karl Frank W2KBF
- Corresponding Secretary Frank Romeo N3PUU
- Director Jeff Garth WB2ZBN
- Director Jim Clark KA2OSV
- Director Chris Prioli AD2CS
- Director Jim Wright N2GXJ
- Director Bill Price NJ2S
- Trustee John O'Connell K2QA
- Trustee Carl Wittig N2CRW
- Member Tony Starr K3TS

The minutes of the June BoD Meeting were approved.

**TREASURER : Alan Arrison KB2AYU** reported YTD Budgeted Items :

- Income : \$7,149
- Expenses : \$4,465
- Net Gain of \$2,684

Receipts for Field Day food still are outstanding. Approximately \$4,500 remains in the VHF tower fund. Additional funds may need to be raised before construction can begin. The Treasurer's report was accepted.

**CLUBHOUSE : Frank Romeo N3PUU** said that installation of the mini-split air conditioner for the VHF room will be finished this weekend. Frank will be contacting US tower in order to obtain certified drawings for the planned installation of the two VHF towers. **Bill Price NJ2S** will replace the motion sensor in the HF room that has experienced false triggering.

**NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS :** Chris Prioli AD2CS received the following nine New Member Applications. All were approved by the BoD :

- **Dionisios (Dan) Goulianos KE2BPK, Technician from Wenonah, NJ**
- **Beth Kraus KE2BPE, Technician from Vineland, NJ**
- **David Mitchell WB2PJH, Amateur Extra from Bridgewater, NJ**
- **Sergei Nenasheff KE2BLO, Technician from Vineland, NJ**
- **Richard Nicholas IV KC3WIR., Technician from Swarthmore, PA**
- **Aimee Ortiz KE2BPJ, Technician from Clementon, NJ**
- **Gregory Sleet (no license, for Associate Membership) from Somerdale, NJ**
- **Charles White IV, KE2BPD, Technician from Sewell, NJ**
- **Michael Zerby W2EFR, General from Thorofare, NJ**

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**FIELD DAY :** **Tony Starr K3TS** expressed appreciation for the over 60 participants at our recent Field Day.

**FUTURE PROGRAMS :** **Ron Block NR2B** noted that the speaker for the General Membership Meeting on August 2 will be **Tony Starr K3TS** on Mobile Radio Installation. Our speaker in September will be **Bob Heil K9EID**.

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE :** The first soldering class lead by **Chris Prioli AD2CS** and **John Zaruba Jr K2ZA** was well attended with 14 participants, consisting of old timers as well as new people.

**CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE :** **Ron Block NR2B** sent a draft of the revised GCARC Constitution to the BoD. This draft which will be considered at the next BoD meeting.

**FOX HUNT :** **Jim Wright N2GXJ** is looking forward to the next Foxhunt, to be scheduled in Fall.

**GCARF :** **Jonathan Pearce WB2MNF** initiated contact with **Robert Famiglio K3RF** regarding a proposal to form a collaboration with Rowan University to design and install a solar power system for the Clubhouse. Jon will report back to the foundation once Bob has had enough time to give the matter some consideration.

**OTHER COMMITTEES :** There were no reports from the Repeater, DX/Contesting, Technical, Hamfest, or Public Service Committees. **Frank Romeo N3PUU** noted that, in the past, **Herb Dyer KT2Y** had been an advocate for the **Bike MS : City to Shore** event and asked if we could find someone to fill that role. Frank also suggested that an event organizer could be invited to speak at a GCARC meeting in order to stimulate participation. **Jeff Garth WB2ZBN** will contact **Joe DiBartolo KC2SFB**, the event coordinator, asking if someone can come to our meeting to speak about the Bike MS.

#### **OLD BUSINESS :**

**Chris Prioli AD2CS** presented the BoD with a revised draft of W2MMD Clubhouse Rules for consideration. This was approved, following addition of text that will require conditions needing attention to be reported to the Clubhouse Committee.

#### **NEW BUSINESS :**

**Chris Prioli AD2CS** proposed to follow-up the current soldering instruction sessions with a class on Surface Mount Soldering sometime in Fall. This was endorsed by the BoD and Chris accepted an invitation from **Ron Block NR2B** to present a session on thru-hole and Surface Mount Soldering as one of the forum speakers at our Hamfest in September.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS :**

**Ron Block NR2B** reported that Comcast has lowered the charge to run cable to a 4H building to \$1,088.50. If this is acceptable to the 4-H then GCARC will assist with WiFi and security cameras.

Nobody has volunteered to coordinate construction of an entrance ramp to the Clubhouse so **Jonathan Pearce WB2MNF** will take this project off the table until someone steps forward.

Jonathan is looking for ideas to make the Club business meetings more interesting by having members report on their activities, such as contesting, new equipment etc.

The following Club members are hospitalized or in poor health :

- **Charlie Wahl KC2STO**
- **David Paster AC2IQ**
- **Chuck Colabrese WA2TML**

**The BoD meeting was adjourned @ 2018 Hours.**

**Respectfully Submitted,  
Karl Frank W2KBF,  
GCARC Recording Secretary**