

BONAC AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Minutes of Meeting 2/24/2011

Meeting was called to order by Steve, K2SRB at 6:08 PM.

Minutes of Meeting dated 1/27/2011 were read. A motion was made to approve minutes as read...1st N2GYI, 2nd by KC2MXH...all in favor.

Treasurer's report: We have \$1,889.86 in bank account as of 2/24/2011. It is noted that Wayne, WB2S paid \$25 in membership. It is also noted the Eddie, KC2TGD has paid his dues. At this time we have 18 paid members. Motion made to approve treasurer's report. 1st KC2SWB, 2nd K2SRB...all in favor.

Business:

Setting up a Club station at the Montauk Fire House is in progress. Dick White, A Fire Commissioner, N2NEI and K1IMD have been involved in the process so far. It was noted that we should also try and get an Internet connection for this Club station.

K2SRB presented in brief form legislation HR607. This is a bill in the House of Representatives that puts our use of UHF frequencies from 420 MHz to 440 MHz in jeopardy. The board agreed to have K2SRB send a letter from the Club opposing this new bill.

KC2SWB, Martin made mention of other clubs on LI receiving grants, and whether we should file as a 503 C1 Not for Profit. WA2YMR, Jerry is going to investigate the organizational legal structure and any potential grants for 2011. It was noted: should we get funds, it should go towards equipment.

Repeater: KC2SWB mentioned the possibility of linking the PARC 440 repeater in Greenport with the N2NEI repeater. He believes that the PARC members would be "receptive" to the idea. It was stated, that we believe Nat, N2NEI would be willing. However the "noise" that we have on our repeater must be fixed first.

A trip to Newington can be arranged. If you are interested in a trip to Newington CT and ARRL headquarters please contact Steve (K2SRB) @ K2SRB@arrl.net.

Dayton Hamfest is coming up. Dates are May 20th to 22nd. If interested, please contact N2NEI.

Shirts: It was agreed that the Labrador Head, with the round lettering over it "BONAC AMATEUR RADIO CLUB" is the design we are going with. KC2SWB will get pricing on golf type shirts as well as other products. Members will pay for their own product.

Technicians Class: We are going to be holding a technicians class. It will be on Saturday or Sundays or both during the month of April (depending on library community room availability). We hope to start this class the first week of April. We will order the Technician Class manual from ARRL. K2SRB is making up flyers. After approval, flyers will be disseminated. Radio and newspapers will be advised of class.

Field Day: It is time to start securing the Field Day site. Again, we would like to secure the Theodore Roosevelt Park. We will ask Nat if he can, once again, secure this site for us.

Bylaws/Quorum:

Tabled...1st NU2M, 2nd N2GYI...all in favor

Website: KC2SWB mentioned that our website is behind in its content and stated that website is “un-inviting” compared to other local clubs. K2SRB said that we had two volunteers maintaining the web-site. One was in college and the other volunteer worked and was a Mom. He would try and see if we can get caught up.

Meeting adjourned at 7 PM with an NVIS antenna project following.

In attendance:

K2SRB- Steve, KC2SWB-Martin, N2GYI- Cliff, KC2MXH-Javier, WA2HZZ-Bob, WA2YMR-Jerry, NU2M-Rod, W2EUL – Don,

Guest: Steve and Max Akkala