



Richmond County Amateur Radio Club

August 11, 2017 Meeting Minutes:

The President, Ben Setzer WA4BCS, called the meeting to order. There were 9 members in attendance and a visitor from the Cheraw Club John Eskridge KD4VIF. The Secretary read the minutes of the July 8, 2017 minutes. There were no corrections or additions and were adopted as read.

Treasurer's Report: The current bank balance is \$1,001.13.

Old Business: No new information on the sale of the old Cat 1000. Mark reported that there had been a bypass failure and the club decided to go ahead and put the unit up for sale. John Eskridge KD4VIF asked that Mark email the info to him and he would pass it on to his club.

New Business: Max N4CGC reported that he had no further info on a possible BSA Jamboree On The Air program. However, his contact, Melissa Ewing, was interest in possibly a Explorer post for Richmond County for ham radio. The club would be interested in being involved in this.

Upcoming solar eclipse and a Qso Party on August 21st which happens to be Pete Britt's 80th birthday. Congrats on 80 Pete!

Scott KF4DBW has a real-time clock for the repeater and offered to purchase a pre-amp which will lower the threshold for incoming sigs from 4mv to 1mv and allow better communications. Price approx \$100 and the club voted to buy it from club funds. Info is to be emailed to the Club Treasurer and it will be purchased with the club credit card.

Initial discussions for the Christmas Party were brought up and Peking Wok was suggested since they have a large dining room in the back and it is buffet style. Final decision was tabled till the September meeting.

Bouvet Island 3Y0Z, #2 on the most wanted DX list, is to activated the end of January, 2018 for approximately two weeks.

Butch N4AWP reported that due to Labor Day weekend the W4VEC testing session for September will be held after the September 9th club meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Allan Brown / W4EAB
Secretary / Treasurer