

Richmond County Amateur Radio Club

November 4, 2017 Meeting Minutes:

The President, Ben Setzer WA4BCS, called the meeting to order. There were 9 members in attendance. Jamie McCroskey KM4ULG introduced Ricky McIntyre, who is planning on taking the Technician exam at the W4VEC testing session on December 2, 2017. The Secretary read the minutes of the October 14, 2017 minutes. There was one addition to clarify that only new hams passing the Technical Element 2 exam, that joined the club, would be eligible for the free UV5R HT radio.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: The current bank balance is \$864.02 after payment of \$59.86 to purchase the two new UV5Rs.

<u>Old Business</u>: There is no interest in the old repeater / controller. The new RF Amp and Preamp are in and need a power supply. Mark is going to borrow a power supply to get up and running until one can be ordered.

The nominating committee reported back that their recommendation is that all present club officers be reelected to a new term beginning in 2019. The motion was made and passed.

The Secretary/Treasurer reported that the dining room at Peking Wok is reserved for the Christmas Party on December 9, 2017 at 6:30PM.

Butch N4AWP reported that a booth at Rockingham's Christmas On The Square rented for \$50.00. There was also discussion about setting up a table at the entrance to Wal-Mart in the Spring.

<u>New Business</u>: The new repeater relay will have the capacity for playing recorded messages. Some of the suggestions for messages were (1) Announcement of meetings (2) Announcement about the Thursday night net (3) Special event stations. It was suggested that perhaps we could get Jimmy Smith to record the announcements for the club.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00a.m.

Allan Brown / W4EAB Secretary / Treasurer