

Richmond County Amateur Radio Club

February 9, 2019 Meeting Minutes:

President Max Kearns called the meeting to order. There were 12 members present. The Secretary read the minutes of the January 12, 2019 minutes. There were no corrections.

Treasurer's Report: The current bank balance is \$1,272.43

Old Business: .

The Secretary commented that he had been out of town and had not yet sent the \$50.00 Pay Pal contribution to KE0OG; but take care of it after the meeting. The possibility of a lifetime membership was also discussed and the best that Max could ascertain was around \$500. The club voted to not pursue lifetime memberships.

Max Kerns N4CGC noted that he had pulled up a list of listened amateurs in the surrounding area for QRZ and there were approx 1200 and was looking for a easier way to find email addresses in the event the contemplated Spring hot dog / hamburger cookout was able to be done. Jamie McCroskey KM4ULG also noted that his church has a room suitable for seating for a cookout. Mark Dawkins N4CMD is also going to contact Hamlet authorities about the possibility of renting/using the sheltered picnic area at the foot of main street.

New Business:

Since the Charlotte HamFest is schedule for March 9, 2019 the club voted to hold the regular monthly meeting on March 2, 2019 immediately followed by a W4VEC testing session if there were any applicants. The club also recognized Rick Seccondro, a newly licensed Technician as KN4SAA as it's newest, dues paying member. Rick was awarded a brand new Baofeng HT after the meeting was adjourned.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

After the meeting Max Kearns showed a KE0OG videos video on coax; covering the specifications, the problems created to copper by water intrusion, and also the sales of supposedly "good" coax online that is being manufactured with incorrect and inferior materials. All were advised to thoroughly research any coax purchase. Also, the club still has an amount of RG-213 on sale for \$.75 a foot.

Allan Brown / W4EAB Secretary / Treasurer

After the meeting \$120 in 2020 dues was deposited in the BB&T account.