



## Richmond County Amateur Radio Club

April 10, 2021 Meeting Minutes:

President Tim Martin N4TDM called the meeting to order at 0930 at the Moose Lodge Hall in Rockingham. There were 10 members present and 2 guests: Richard Hutton KO4KRE, and Roland Landry were recognized.

### **Old Business:**

Discussion continued on the state of proposed repeater repairs or the purchase of a new. Mark Dawkins, N4CMD, and Butch Parris, N4AWP have been working/coordinating together to arrive at a acceptable solution. Basically VHF repeaters are just not available and the cost of a new Motorola approaches \$2400. Club agreed to allow Butch and Mark to keep looking for a 7000, which will be \$1200, and to purchase one if found in order that it is not bought by another party while club permission is being sought.

Field Day is still on the agenda for a decision at the May meeting.

Butch Parris announced that a test session is scheduled for May 22, 2021 at 10:30a.m. at the Moose Lodge. Applicant's must have a FRN and a valid email. The FCC has not yet initiated the \$35.00 testing fee and there is no information as to how the fee will be collected even when activated. Roland Landry, Ben Setzer, WA4BCS, along with several others will be testing.

Club members signed a card on behalf of Mrs. Forrester, who is very ill, and Butch is mailing on behalf of the club.

### **New Business:**

Butch reported that the remainder of Max Kearns, N4CGC, equipment has been sold.

Tim Martin presented club members with several options for purchasing ham radio club apparel from several vendors in town. The Secretary will summarize the various options and distribute to the members so a total number of items being bought from each vendor can be calculated. Members will be responsible for picking up their purchases once their requested items are ready.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Allan Brown / W4EAB  
Secretary/Treasurer

p.s. - After the meeting \$240.00 in repeater donations and \$60.00 in member dues, for a total of \$300.00, were deposited in BB&T.