

CAPE MAY COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Meeting Minutes: April 21, 2021

ZOOM Meeting due to COVID*

CALL TO ORDER

The April meeting was called to order at 7:10pm by the President, KD2HIP with the 13 members in attendance:

KD2HIP, N3HRK, KD2LFR, KC2PAG, KC2GIK, N2JAI, KC2UMM, WB2JJO, WA2GKH, N2SRI, KD2NRJ, KB2YJD, KC3QLU

N3HRK initiated Flag Salute and a moment of silence for Silent Keys.

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

KD2LFR, read the March meeting minutes approved as read.

OFFICERS REPORT:

President: BOB KD2HIP:

Final 2021 membership list has been updated on the website and those who have not paid dues have been removed from the list. The asterisk symbol by members names indicates RACES members. The President reminded the membership that he monitors 610 and 240 most of the time and please specify which frequency you are calling, so that it is easily identified. The CMC OEM is supporting the upcoming ARRL Field Day, and we need membership participation with the event. The big bus and small bus are working, and both will be part of the resources on site for Field Day. The website is updated and if anyone sees anything that requires updating or modification to please advise the President.

VICE PRESIDENT REPORT: JOEL N3HRK:

Nothing to report.

SECRETARY REPORT: LOU KD2LFR:

No correspondence.

TREASURERS REPORT: PEG W2PEG

Read by the President, as the treasurer was unable to attend the meeting.

Date		Income	Expenses	Total
3/17/21	Starting Balance			5306.16
Mar/Apr	Dues collected	300.00		
3/19/21	Interest	.08		
	(.04 from previous month)			
4/2/21	NJ Annual Report		30.50	
4/5/21	Reimbursement for PO Box		162.00	
4/21/21	Ending Balance	300.08	192.50	5413.74

Total - \$5413.74

Membership – 63

Cost to reimburse Drew Butkocy for shipping cost and service for P144DG for 146.610 CMCARC repeater is \$31.10.

Treasurer Report approved as read.

WAYS AND MEANS REPORT: MIKE KC2PAG:

No report.

TRUSTEE REPORT: BILL KC2UMM

No report.

VE COMMITTEE REPORT: TIM N2TLQ

Tim unavailable, and no report this month.

PIO REPORT: Bill, KB2YJD

No report this month.

DX REPORT: GREG,N2BSA

Greg unavailable, and no report this month.

SPECIAL EVENTS:

The President reports no activity.

INFORMATION AND TECHNOLOGY:

Bill, N2JAI, Facebook is up and running and once we confirm specific field day information he will add to our page.

FIELD DAY

Joel, N3HRK, reported that initially we discussed using the open field across from the CMC OEM, and use the facilities in the emergency management building (kitchen and bathroom). But we have been denied the use of the building. The OEM administration have offered an open field on Ranger Road (#251). Joel viewed the field, and it will accommodate antenna set up, but we will need port-a-potties that will be provided by OEM/RACES, food lunch, and we should support donuts and coffee for the morning. Tents will be used for radio site, and the two communication buses, one from OEM and the other from RACES. We will plan for three radio sites, but the option to use more or less is dependent upon the participation interest of the membership. Joel is asking anyone who is planning on attending one or both days and set up day to email him as soon as possible so that the appropriate planning can begin. A reminder Field Day is June 26 and 27 with set up on June 25. A small group is planning on setting up the tents this Saturday April 24 to ascertain if they work or any repairs are necessary prior to field day and may need a few volunteers for an hour or so. The President added that he was recently in the van, Drew has some radio's placed (not connected), and they were attempting

to get an idea how to lay it out. Also, the PIO from the county may also be involved with field day and will be putting out information to the community in advance which may include some media coverage. A great opportunity to spotlight the club and amateur radio in the county.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAW COMMITTEE:

Joel, N3HRK, the committee met twice and made wording changes, in the process of being re-typed as a final draft and should be ready for review by the membership next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS:

The President brought up the possibility to buy a custom table cover with the Club Insignia and information to display when we are out doing events. Would like to investigate pricing and a draft sketch of what it may look like to come back to the club for further discussion. No one in attendance was opposed. Bill Aber, N2JAI and the Skywarn group has been invited to attend Field Day and extended invitation to Upper Township and Ocean City OEM to also participate with us during field day a great opportunity for a countywide involvement.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

The President reiterated Joel's comments, if anyone is available this Saturday to assist in setting up tents, measuring the field and attempt to preplan the van (bus) around 10:00-10:30AM it would be appreciated.

The President discussed that when we return to the OEM building for meetings, that moving forward we will have someone with a portable radio in the meeting on simplex 146.415 with a PL of 203.5 and this will be used for any member seeking entry after the meeting starts as the door remains locked.

The President also mentioned that Justin needs installation of an antenna at his house, once we get some dates from him, we will be looking for assistance with the installation.

Bill, N2JAI offered congratulations to Justin for obtaining his Skywarn number.

The next meeting is May 19, 2021 at 1900 hours, the President will keep the membership updated if the next meeting is an in person or Zoom meeting. He requested a motion for adjournment at 1943 hours, N3HRK made motion, seconded by Justin, KC2GIK.

Respectfully submitted,



Lou Raniszewski, KD2LFR- Secretary.