#### LRRA ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

#### 11-3-19

Eclosures: (1) Technical Committee Report

(2) Proposed 2020 Budget

OFFICERS PRESENT: Shawn Marcotte KC1DNA, Acting President

Jane Greer W2REX, Treasurer

MEMBERS PRESENT: Don Percy W1DND, Sandy Percy W1SND, Lee Herterich K1VZI, Ella Herterich, Leo Langelier KH6JKQ, Peter Carmel KB1MVP, Joe Raffaele K1HZR, Skip Edwards W1EDW, Marjorie Edwards, Rich Comer K1RBC, Bob Ness KB1DLX, Frank Hammond W1WU, Lynn Clarke, Jeremy Hardin KC1LAK, John Gotthardt K1UAF, Joshua Jacques K1JPJ, Jim Eastham NX3Z, Jonathon Wixson KB1COL, Allen Jordan W1PTO, Linda Jordan

### Call to Order

Shawn Marcotte, Acting President, opened the meeting at 10:00 AM.

Shawn thanked Clayton Ferry for his role as President.

He also thanked Sarah Silk for her role as Secretary.

Shawn thanked Lee Herterich for printing badges and ballots.

He also thanked the Tech Team consisting of Lee Herterich, Chair; Jeremy Hardin, Co-Chair; John Gotthardt; Shawn Marcotte; Dan Morgan; Frank Hammond; and former Team Leader Ed O'Hearn N1EO.

Thanks to the Financial Committee comprised of Jane Greer, Chair; Bob Ness, Co-Chair; Sharie Cohen; Jonathon Wixson; and Shawn Marcotte.

Thanks also to the Nominating Committee: Art Buckner KA1PJT; Don Percy; and Jim Eastham.

Shawn thanked Sandy Percy for the minutes.

Shawn acknowledged Crown Castle, the landlord for our Repeaters on Bennett Hill.

And thanks went to Frank Hammond who was responsible for setting up the tower repeater site.

## II. Approve Minutes 11-13-18:

Sandy Percy read the Minutes from 11-13-18 Annual Meeting. Bob Ness motioned with a second from Sandy to accept the Minutes. The vote was unanimous.

# III. Update on Changes for LRRA

LRRA became a 501 (c) (3) March 2019

The website is up and running, and kept current. The views have since doubled from 7,000 to 14,000. Jane Greer and Sharie Cohen are the new Webmistresses.

We now have PayPal to pay membership dues and a Donate Button for club donations on the website.

We now have an email to contact us also at: w1bstclub@gmail.com

The website has changed from .com to .org

The website has a "For Sale" area.

The club has sold donated and surplus equipment, and generated approximately \$150.00.

The club held its first Ham Fest Flea & Ve in the Spring, and another in the Fall. We will continue to have an Annual Spring Ham Fest and Ve. The next one is scheduled for April 18, 2020.

The club held a Field Day Event at Constitution Park in Ossipee, NH.

We acquired a club tent for Field Day and Near Fest.

We have club badges members can order on line at our website. Lee Herterich makes them.

We are ARES affiliated. We established a Battery Back-Up Fund with \$910.00 from donations. Frank Hammond has been testing it out.

We now have in service a Yasue DR2X Fusion Repeater and are operating on UHF 442.100 in multi-mode with analog and digital process.

#### IV. LRRA Business

It was suggested we make former presidents Life Members.

After some discussion, it was decided that sometime in the future we would discuss further a policy concerning "in good standing".

Frank Hammond moved and Bob Ness seconded to make Tom Bates a Life Member.

John Gotthardt moved and Jonathon Wixson seconded to make Clayton Ferry a Life Member.

Shawn Marcotte moved and Jonathon Wixson seconded to make Bob Ness a Life Member.

Bob Ness moved and Frank Hammond seconded to make Dan Morgan a Life Member.

The votes were unanimous for all four of the above motions.

Lee Herterich presented his report for the Technical Committee (copy attached).

Jane Greer explained the 2019 Income and Expenses and 2020 proposed amounts.

Jane then presented the Financial Committee's proposed plan for the 2020 Operating Budget of \$1000.00 (copy attached). Bob Ness moved and John Gotthardt seconded to accept the proposed budget. It was accepted unanimously.

Next on the agenda was the election of officers for 2020. The nominations were Shawn Marcotte for President, Jeremy Hardin for Vice President, Jane Greer for Treasurer, and Richard Comer for Secretary. There were no nominations from the floor, so Bob Ness moved to close the nominations and John Gotthardt seconded. Don Percy and Jim Eastham counted the votes and all the nominees were elected. Jonathon Wixson moved to accept the votes. John Gotthardt seconded. Motion passed.

Jeremy Hardin recommended that in the future we should have the Bio's posted on the website.

All new officers need to sign a Conflict of Interest Disclosure which was done at the time of the announcement.

Linda Jordan asked about searching for grants for 501 (3) (c) 's. Jeremy Hardin stated that he has begun searching for grant possibilities.

Frank Hammond drew the winning ticket for a Bofang handheld radio. The winner was Bob Ness.

Shawn Marcotte made a motion to close the meeting. Jonathon Wixson seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Percy W1SND/Richard Comer K1RBC



# **Technical Committee Report 2019**

Lee Herterich K1VZI Chairman thanks the committee members:

Frank Hammond W1WU, John Gotthardt K1UAF,

Jeremy Hardin KC1LAK, Shawn Marcotte KC1DNA

and all those who helped with the club's technical challenges.

Some of our accomplishments this year were -

- Installation and programing of the new Yaesu DR2X Repeater.
- S-Com controller software updated to current version with more utilities.
- The UHF Repeater uses an outboard amplifier that increases the output watts to approx. 85, along with an inline isolator.
- We also tested the emergency battery back-up, added a drop-out AC relay that alerts us of AC power failures, installed the battery voltage monitor with programing via 7330 S Com controller that will monitor battery voltage 24 hours a day in the advent of power failure.
- We now have time every hour between 8am and 8pm along with the announcing of the club website on the repeater. On Tuesdays during the day, the Repeater announces the club net at 8pm.
- The club is now also affiliated with Amateur Radio Emergency Services (ARES), since we can provide emergency power backup or AC failures while providing crossover communications between ARES groups.
- We would also like to solicit the membership for opinions, suggestions and/or improvements such as—
   Repeater announcements, weather station, hook-up with weather announcements, signal report from repeater, membership access to some repeater codes such as time, further use of scheduler and announcements, etc.
- An APRS Repeater is located at the Repeater Site courtesy of Paul Zito N1RHN for anybody's use.

# Proposed LRRA Operating Budget for Fiscal Year January 2020 - December 2020

# Revenue

LRRA Memberships Appeals for money Ham Fest Flea & Ve Equipment Donations Annual 4th of July Parade Near - Fest

# Total

# Notes

\$1,000 Based on 50 paying members projected for 2020

\$0 Funds unpredictable

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\$0 Funds unpredictable previous years range \$175-\$250

\$0 Funds unpredictable

\$1,000 Projected money for 2020 budget

# **Expenses**

## Miscellaneous Operating Expenses

Wolfeboro Falls Post Office Box

#### Insurance

Club Liability Equipment Coverage

### Internet / Web Services

Name Cheap Blue Host

# State of New Hampshire Annual Fees

NH. Dept of State NH. Dept of Justice

### Equipment Maintence and Repair

Equip. Maintence and repair

# Emergency Battery Back-Up Replacement

Ham Fest Flea and Ve

# Notes

\$70 Due January

\$200 Due December \$272.79 Due February

\$12.96 Due January \$86.29 Due October

\$5.00 Due May \$75.00 Due May

(\$1,000) Contingency from the maintence and repair fund if needed

(\$910) Contingency funds established by donors and fenced for battery replacement if needed.

(\$100) contingency from the general fund