

York County Amateur Radio Club

Minutes of meeting on May 1, 2022 at the Wells Town Hall

Roll call of members present: K1DQ Dan, AA3HD Tony, KC1NQU Paul, KC1NQT Susan, Jordan Brown (Guest) KC1JMH Brad, N1XP Roger, KB1ASM Rick, KB1CAT Bill, KC1ETT Jim, W1FRA Frank, AA1LO Dave

Introductions were made by all present at the meeting.

Treasures report from Jim KC1ETT \$1231.95 in checking account no expenses outstanding.

Election of officers postponed to June 5th meeting. Approved by unanimous vote of members present.

Club activities was discussed and the following was suggested: Parks on the Air participation at some of our local parks such as Rachael Carson, HarborFest at Wells Harbor. Antenna building, grounding and bonding training, expedient antenna construction, Raspberry Pi introduction, Hot Spot setup, how to use an ohm meter, building QRP transmitters. Winlink, BPQ training and DMR programming. Training on digital mode including CW.

Rick KB1ASM talked about publicity for the club and as a result was appointed Public Information Officer for the Club.

Roger N1XP gave a report on the BPQ nodes. Still a work in progress, but system is up and going.

Jimmy KC1ETT gave a report on the Allstar Link (147-560) and the Echolink and encouraged members to support their use.

Programming Committee appointed, Susan KC1NQT, Frank W1FRA, and Roger N1XP

The VE Session on May 14th was discussed and requested anyone who wants

to be tested to contact Roger N1XP.

It was discussed about the Club staying active during the months of July and August as in the past we have not met during these months. It was decided that we would participate in HarborFest at Wells Harbor at the end of July and operate from Ossippee mountain in August. Dave AA1LO will make arrangements for Harborfest. Frank will work on the Ossippee Mountain location.

It was discussed the BPQ node and other radio equipment being installed at the Wells Town Hall. The Town of Wells has given the club a \$1200.00 budget for this project. It was suggested that we have MOU with the Town of Wells. Sample MOU's will be sent to Dave AA1LO and he will work on the MOU with the Town.

Brad Brown KC1JMH president of the Portland Club suggested that our clubs work together on projects of mutual interest. All in attendance agreed that this would be beneficial to both clubs.

Bill KB1CAT will work on a new banner design for the club and bring it to the next meeting in June.

It was discussed about bringing young people into the Amateur Radio hobby and we should all brainstorm how this can be accomplished. This will be on the agenda at the next meeting.

It was also discussed about having associate members in the club. I will check the bylaws and see if this is already addressed, if not we can have a discussion at the next meeting.

I wish you all a safe May, and look forward to seeing you at the June 5th meeting at the Wells Town Hall at 3 PM.

73, Dave AA1LO