

## **GSARA Meeting Minutes: November 10th, 2017**

St. Elizabeth Seton Parish, Bedford, NH

### **Officers in attendance**

Dennis Markell (N1IMW): President

John Grubmuller (K1XF): Vice-President

Barry Whitemore (NF1O): Treasurer

Matthew Bedard (KC1EMI): Secretary

Russell Steenrod (KC1EAN): Membership

Meeting called to order by Dennis at 7:01PM

### **Officer's Reports**

#### **Treasurer:**

- Starting Balance: \$3,295.36
- Income: Dues: \$230, Donations: \$20
- Expenses: \$2 in bank fees
- Ending balance: \$3,543.36
- Motion to accept the treasurer's report by Bill (KC1HGO) seconded by Gossett (KC1DRU).  
No opposed.

#### **Secretary:**

- Meeting minutes went out, no corrections were reported.
- Motion to accept the secretary's report by Barry (NF1O) seconded by Bill (KC1HGO),  
opposed by Ray (K1KXN).

#### **Membership:**

- Andrew KB1JPW - Prospective member visiting
- Now collecting 2018 dues!
- Membership count: 24 paid for 2018, 49 paid for 2017, 13 from 2016, and 12 from 2015. 1  
Life member. Total of 99 members.
- Motion to accept the membership report Bob (WI1O) and Ed (KA1IJN). No opposed.

### **Business:**

- Bob (WI1O): VE session 4 candidates 1 tech and 3 general, (gave list of dates for 2018 sessions)
- Dennis (N1IMW): December's meeting will be a Christmas party minimum value of gift \$15. 12 pound weight maximum. Used stuff should be clean.
- Barry (W1FO): ARRL has announced next year's contest "Grid Challenge" work as many different grids as you can. Contacts have to be confirmed in LoTW.
- Dennis (N1IMW) Officer elections are today. No one came forward with nominations.
  - The existing slate of officers is:

- Dennis Markell (N1IMW): President
  - John Grubmuller (K1XF): Vice-President
  - Barry Whittemore (NF1O): Treasurer
  - Matthew Bedard (KC1EMI): Secretary
  - Russell Steenrod (KC1EAN): Membership
- Ed (KA1IJN) motioned that the secretary cast one for for the existing slate. Seconded by William (KC1HGO). Motion passed with no opposed. Matt's (KC1EMI) vote to keep the existing slate stands.
  - Tom (AC1J): We had the opportunity to acquire a Mirage B1018G amplifier from an estate sale. Our repeater only outputs about 50watts. This amplifier has a maximum output of 160watts. Using an attenuator, the feed is about 3 watts so that the amplifier is putting out 100 watts. Tom motions to buy the amplifier from Dennis for \$250 (currently selling at DX Engineering for \$489.95) and also to add it to the clubs inventory for insurance. Barry (NF1O) motion to accept. Mike (K1SLT) second. No opposed.
  - We have an auction item today.. box of stuff, donated by Paul (W1PEF)
  - David (KB1PKE) would like to thank thank Ralph (K1RD) and Steve (K1SMD) for helping with the Jamboree on the Air. There were over 100 scouts that participated.
  - Mary (NE1F) motioned to end the business portion of the meeting, seconded by Mike (K1SLT)

**Program:**

K1EHZ WSPR and Propagation During the Solar Eclipse part 2

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