

BEDFORD COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

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Meetings take place at 7:30PM on the 1st Thursday of each month at the Bedford County Courthouse, 200 Juliana St, Bedford, PA.

MEETING MINUTES Thursday, 2 June 2022

A meeting of the Bedford County Amateur Radio Society was called to order at 1935 hours in **Bedford County Courthouse room 303** by **President Zachary Pepple** and a quorum was declared.

In attendance were (11): KB3DFZ, KC3DNB, W3DRW, KC3HKZ, KA3UDR, WB3JEK, KC3KHK, N3EYF, KC3NAF, K3SCM, KE3ZT

President Zachary Pepple (KC3KHK) requested that KB3DFZ read **May** minutes. Motion to approve was made by **WB3JEK** and seconded by **K3SCM**. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report presented by **KC3DNB**. **Steve** discussed various checks received, checks issued and cash deposits. The ending balances are:

Petty Cash	\$0.00
Checking Account	\$2,272.36
Savings Account	\$3,821.39
Total	\$6,093.75

A motion to approve was made by **W3DRW**, seconded by **KE3ZT**. Motion carried. The full treasurer's report is on file.

New and Renewing Members

President Zachary Pepple recognized a new ham and honorary member, Graham KC3UEL.

OLD BUSINESS

Repeater Update - KB3DFZ discussed the current state of the repeaters. The 145.490 still needs the antenna looked at, and controller parts have been ordered to put the 444.2 repeater on Allstar. KB3DFZ hopes to get both the 145.490 and 444.2 on Allstar later this month. At Martin Hill, the hosted DMR repeater is online at **444.35**7 +5Mhz and a PL of 123. In addition to DMR, this repeater will work as analog, though if you program the repeater in, be sure to set a CTCSS of 123 on both transmit AND receive so you don't hear the digital.

BCARS DINNER - No additional information on the dinner, but BCARS will need to start working on a head count so we can finalize the menu with the Legion. The room is reserved for December 1st.

Field Day - Field Day is June 25th. KA3UDR is collecting names to request chicken dinners from the Shawnee Fire Department. KB3DFZ has recruited Jason, KB3LMI to setup the networking and logging. Members are encouraged to locate the field day site before the day of to make plans. The address is 1059 Mill Rd, Schellsburg, PA and directions are on www.bcars.org

Club Spending - Zach, KC3KHK is working on a list of planned purchases for the club for the year. Any final spending concerns should be sent to Zach, and we hope to review the list next month.

NEW BUSINESS

After much anticipation, the **History of BCARS** books have been completed by K3QNT. Lloyd and Jacquie spent a lot of time over the last year compiling club history and they have donated near \$300 towards the book's production. Lloyd had 5 copies printed at \$30 each, and more can be printed on demand by P&S Printing. The books were passed around for review and most members present wished to purchase a copy. KC3HKZ suggested that the club see if any local libraries would like a copy. **KA3UDR motioned** that the club purchase 15 total copies (including the 5 existing copies) with the intention of selling copies to members at field day. Seconded by KC3KHK. Motion carried. The club treasurer, KC3DNB will order additional copies and bring them to field day for distribution. Please reach out to KC3DNB if you want to purchase a copy. More can be purchased later if the first batch sells out.

Bedford County Donation - The Commissioners of Bedford County have made a one thousand two hundred dollar (\$1,200.00) donation to the club, which was earmarked toward technical improvements in the RACES Room and support of emergency communications.

KE3ZT discussed the upcoming **Thirteen Colonies** special event. This event takes place the week of July 1st through July 7th. You can learn more at **13colonies.us**. In addition to the Thirteen Colonies event, KE3ZT highlighted a special effort by the **Holmesburg Amateur Radio Club, or WM3PEN** (https://www.qrz.com/db/wm3pen). They collect Stamps for the Wounded (Veterans). If you make a contact with WM3PEN, you are encouraged to send any collected stamps with your self-addressed stamped envelope. They will forward stamps onwards. Even if you do not exchange QSL with WM3PEN, KE3ZT also will collect and forward stamps. More information on the program is available at www.stampsforthewounded.org, or reach out to Steve/KE3ZT.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2030 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Hogenmiller

John Hogenmiller, KB3DFZ BCARS Secretary