



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, 1 Fre 2018

A meeting of the Bedford County Amateur Radio Society came to order at 1934 hours within the “Board Room 111” on the first floor of the Bedford County Courthouse Building.

In attendance were: John/KB3DFZ, Gary/KC3HKZ, Robert/KC3CMI, James/KC3FPA, Bob/KC3IFL, Steve/KE3ZT, Keith/KC3AFO, Steve/KC3DNB, John/KC3KKY, Jeff/KA3PNL, Steve/KA3UDR, Jay/K3SCM.

Meeting was called to order by **Vice President, Gary Metivier - KC3HKZ**. Gary declared a quorum and requested that KB3DFZ read the November and December minutes. Motion to approve was made by KC3AFO and seconded by KC3IFL. Motion carried.

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

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| Savings Account | \$1,819.47 |
| Checking Account | \$4,493.12 |
| Petty Cash | \$0.00 |
| Total | \$6,312.59 |

A motion to approve was made by KC3IFL, seconded by KA3PNL. Motion carried. The full treasurer's report is attached to these minutes.

OLD BUSINESS

KB3DFZ discussed the upcoming ham radio workshop on February 3rd from 10am-1pm at the Legion. We will be in the small meeting room, no space or accommodations for large setups.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion made by KB3DFZ to have the club sponsor snacks and beverages, seconded by KC3IFL. W3DRW will bring donuts and KB3DFZ will acquire other snacks and beverages.

K3SCM informed that club that there has been an uptick in illegal repeater usage known as “kerchunking”, or transmitting without sending an ID. K3SCM reiterated that this type of activity is “illegal as hell” and if it draws the attention of the FCC, those committing this illegal activity could receive some hefty fines.

KB3DFZ informed the club that our current Tech Session pool expires this year. A discussion was had as to whether the club would want to make new booklets or just direct potential examinees to other resources. KC3HKZ stated his opinion that most test takers are better served by accessing an online study source through computer or smartphone. Most members were in agreement, with the reservation that perhaps 2-3 test booklets should be made available for those without reliable Internet access and there should be a small deposit on any materials lended out. No official motions were made and the matter was tabled to closer when the pool expires.

With no further business, Vice-President Metivier declared the meeting adjourned at 2004 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,
John Hogenmiller, KB3DFZ
BCARS Secretary