



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 Sep 2021

A meeting of the Bedford County Amateur Radio Society was called to order at **1931** hours within Room #**303** of the Bedford County Courthouse Annex by **President Zachary Pepple** and a quorum was declared.

In attendance were (16): KB3DFZ, KC3KHK, KC3HKZ, KE3ZT, W3DRW, KC3NAF, KC3DNB, KA3UDR, KC3FOZ, KC3POI, KC3QOD, K3SCM, WB3JEK, KC3EXU, W4NMP, N3EYF

President Zachary Pepple requested that KB3DFZ read **August** minutes. Motion to approve was made by **N3EYF** and seconded by **KC3NAF**. Motion carried.

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

Petty Cash	\$-
Checking Account	\$786.49
Savings Account	\$7,620.91
Total	\$8,407.40

A motion to approve was made by **KC3FOZ**, seconded by **KA3UDR**. Motion carried. The full treasurer's report is on file.

OLD BUSINESS

Repeater Updates - KB3DFZ provided an update on repeaters. We are still waiting on an agreement for the REC tower. For the county owned Martin Hill tower, the intermod study is complete and we are clear to put 4 antennas - 6m Tx/Rx + 2m Tx/Rx up on the tower. After discussion, WB3JEK motioned that we mount all 4 antennas to secure our location, seconded by KE3ZT.

NEW BUSINESS

Parade Sept 11th - Will we participate? If no drivers are available, BCARS will not be able to participate. Kenny/WB3JEK may be able to drive and if so, will reach out to Ed by September 9th before he goes out of town. Zack will enter BCARS into the parade lineup.

WPA Set Exercise October 2nd. Will BCARS participate? The scenario will be 5 inches of rain and flooding. ARRL Radiograms and some FLDIGI traffic. There was not enough interest among members for this year.

Emergency callups. K3SCM distributed a callup list to have names and numbers added. N3EYF recommended that BCARS look into Call-Em-All. It works on credits. Each credit is a 30-second call and costs \$0.09 cents. One would pay \$9 for 100 credits (100 calls) which should not expire. John/KB3DFZ will look into call up options and procedures.

Email Group - KB3DFZ discussed upcoming changes to the email distribution list. We will try using Discourse as a replacement for Google Groups. Expect invites to come out over the next couple of weeks.

911 Autopatch - W3DRW asked about the ability to call 911. This can be done by making use of VOIP, but some research will need to be done on cost to club and interoperability.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at **2035** hours.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Hogenmiller

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BCARS Secretary