



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, 3 February 2022

A meeting of the Bedford County Amateur Radio Society was called to order at **1930** hours **ONLINE** by **President Zachary Pepple** and a quorum was declared. Due to inclement weather, it was decided not to hold an in-person meeting.

In attendance were (16): KB3DFZ, K3PYT, KA3UDR, KC3HKZ, KC3KHK, KC3DNB, KC3QBZ, K3SCM, W3DRW, N3EYF, KB3LMI, KC3KFX, N2XRE, KC3NFD, KE3ZT, KK3F.

President Zachary Pepple requested that KB3DFZ read **January** minutes. Motion to approve KA3UDR was made by 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	\$1688.82
Savings Account	\$4121.38
Total	\$5810.13

A motion to approve was made by **K3SCM**, seconded by **KC3HKZ**. Motion carried. The full treasurer's report is on file.

OLD BUSINESS

ARRL Field Day - KA3UDR discussed ARRL Field day. BCARS has secured Burnt House in Blue Knob for our field day. The cost was \$152.50. KB3DFZ moved to reimburse for the cost, KC3HKZ seconded. Motion passed.

KA3UDR and KC3KHK discussed inviting the **Horseshoe Amateur Radio Club** to our field day. The club is generally in favor, but we need to reach out and see how many people they will bring. HARC is known for good food.

KB3DFZ discussed the **REC tower**. He has not yet been able to make contact with Brooks/REC, but will continue to do so.

Lost Turkey Trail (August 27th). KC3KHK is looking to get more details as it will be a two day event. KB3DFZ suggested taking a laptop and TV for displaying bib number progress. KA3UDR suggested taking the tower trailer with a 2M yagi for simplex into the hard to reach areas.

Winter Field Day - send your logs to KB3DFZ.

NEW BUSINESS

SkyWarn tonight. Cubby wanted to know if BCARS would be operating a SkyWarn net. KA3UDR plans to activate a net on 146.790 if members are interested. After discussion, it was decided to start it in the morning.

Kinton Knob repeater upgrades. KB3DFZ would like to upgrade the Kinton Knob repeaters. The 2M is a Tait TB8100. It includes a 2M repeater, a 75W Power Amplifier and a built in power supply. The cost of the 2M repeater is \$863.90. The 220 Repeater is a pair of Motorola CDM1250 purchased from Dean K9QB. Dean programmed both radios, set into a rack, and supplied a raspberry pi configured for Allstar. The cost of the 220 is \$450. Additionally, I picked two Raspberry Pi 4 computers - one for the 2M and one to connect to our existing 440 repeater. The price for those is \$190.78. Grand Total will be: **\$1504.68**. KB3DFZ motions to upgrade the hardware as described. Seconded by W3DRW. Motion carried.

Fundraising was discussed. BCARS typically gets money from the Legion, VFW, Bedford County (part of their annual budget), and Community Foundation for the Alleghenies.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at **2020** hours.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Hogenmiller

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BCARS Secretary