



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 August 2023

A meeting of the Bedford County Amateur Radio Society was called to order at **1933** hours at **Bedford American Legion Post 113** by **President Zachary Pepple** and a quorum was declared.

In attendance were (12) John/KB3DFZ, N2XRE/Kip, KC3KHK/Zach, KE3ZT/Steve, WB3JEK/Kenny, KC3HKZ/Gary, KC3DNB/Steve, Janelle Metzker, KC3VLQ/Aden, Louise Metzker, KC3NAF/Ed, N3EYF/Bill

Meeting Minutes were presented by **John/KB3DFZ**. Motion to approve was made by **KE3ZT** and seconded by **WB3JEK**. Motion carried.

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

Petty Cash	\$0.00
Checking Account	\$3,847.30
Savings Account	\$3,822.72
Total	\$7,670.02

A motion to approve was made by **WB3JEK**, seconded by **KE3ZT**. Motion carried. The full treasurer's report is on file.

OLD BUSINESS

Zach discussed the Members Picnic on August 12th at the Merritt Pond Campground. Please RSVP with Zach if not already done so, and let him know of any food that you will be bringing.

John thanked everyone that supported the July VE session. We had one new technician named Ellis who has received call sign KC3WMI.

Lost Turkey Trail was discussed. The event ran reasonably well. DMR was heavily used this from several locations (Lost Children and Start Line). Hairpin Turn remains a difficult radio spot. Anyone operating

there should plan on having a mobile rig, or a handheld feeding into a mobile antenna. If operating from vehicle, you may need to get creative with being able to park close to the aid station.

Christmas Dinner meeting is December 7th. After discussion of restaurant choices, John/KB3DFZ volunteered to reserve space at Hoss's. If the 7th is not available, KB3DFZ will try for a nearby date.

NEW BUSINESS

Bike Bedford County will be September 16th - BCARS will need 6 stations plus net control.

ARRL Handouts - Kenny/WB3JEK asked if the club has any current ARRL handouts. KB3DFZ reports having a number of older ones, but will see about refreshing the stock for club events.

Public Events - National Night Out was held recently in Bedford. BCARS has participated in this in the past and would be welcome to join again. Additionally, BCARS has been invited to add the comm van to the Christmas display at the county fairgrounds.

BCARS VAN was discussed. It needs a new parking place. N2XRE has volunteered to host the VAN provided he can utilize it for VHF contests. It was agreed that this would be perfect use of the VAN when it's not being utilized for club events. Additionally, updating the driver list was discussed. KB3DFZ agreed to reach out to Burtnett Agency.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at **2015** hours.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Hogenmiller

John Hogenmiller, KB3DFZ
BCARS Secretary