

BRISTOL COUNTY RADIO CONTROL CLUB, INC. # 1349

Minutes of Membership Meeting

August 4, 2015

The monthly meeting of the Bristol County Radio Control Club, Inc. was held in the Northeast Terminal Building at the New Bedford Regional Airport on Tuesday, August 4, 2015.

Officers Present:

President	Gary Carreiro
Vice President	Jeff Rebello (absent)
Secretary/Clerk	Gary Barboza (absent)
Recording Secretary	Ed Goulart
Treasurer	Michelle Brito (absent)
Safety Officer	Gerry Dupont
Contest Director	Ned Watts (absent)

There were 20 members present.

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM.

Secretary's Report

The minutes of the July 14, 2015 meeting were read and unanimously accepted.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was called in by telephone, read and unanimously accepted.

GENERAL FUND

July starting balance	\$ 4,679.59
Expenses	-718.30
Deposit	<u>1,487.00</u>
July Ending balance	\$ 5,448.29

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July starting balance	\$ 568.37
Expenses	-000.00
Deposit	<u>309.00</u>
July Ending balance	\$ 877.37

Committee Report

None

Correspondence

None

Unfinished Business

- The official NOTAM has been tentatively scheduled for August 8th through the 23rd.
- Gary Carreiro made a presentation on the advantages and disadvantages of non-profit status for the club. The official application was reviewed and questions were entertained. An application fee of \$400 would be required and a tax return would have to be filed annually once the club's annual gross receipts exceed \$10,000. Although John Fontes made the motion to apply, seconded by Jeff Saladino, it was decided to table the matter until the September meeting. It is anticipated that Ned Watts, who has done the research, will be able to answer any unresolved questions.
- John Fontes gave an update on the status of the raffle. Only 23 tickets remain. Net proceeds are projected to be between \$1,500 and \$1,800. It was decided to order an additional 300 tickets.
- John Fontes reiterated the need for an emergency contact list to be kept in the first aid kit at the field. A prepared form was passed around and members were allowed to voluntarily provide their personal contact information.
- Gary Carreiro gave his thoughts on the need to increase club membership dues. He believes that the dues structure should provide financial self-sufficiency for the club and raffles and fund raisers should supplement the General Fund. A three year tiered membership increase was briefly discussed. Action is expected to take place by the November meeting.
- The Dave Andrade Memorial Fun Fly will be held at the Brownell Field on Saturday, August 29th. The rain date is Sunday, August 30th. It is expected to be a low key fun event.

New Business

- Chris Ferreira reported that we had been invited to participate in an ultra-light fly-in at a private airstrip in Middleboro in September. Since the airport would remain open, we would have only limited flying time as well as a static plane display. There was little sentiment for the event especially since it scheduled for a Tuesday.
- Gary Carreiro reported on the resignation of Ted Brito as event coordinator. Ted's many accomplishments and contributions to the club were duly recognized. Gary indicated that it is his intention not to fill the position, and that the number of events may be cut back. He also indicated that remaining events, such as the Float Fly, would be low key and simply held as fun events. John Fontes, once again, expressed the need for a chairman and committee to head up club events.
- Gary Carreiro reported that Jeff Rebello will not be a candidate for Vice President in November due to time constraints.

Comments from the Officers

None

Comments from the members

None

The meeting closed at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ed Goulart
Recording Secretary

