

BRISTOL COUNTY RADIO CONTROL CLUB, INC. # 1349

Minutes of Membership Meeting

January 5, 2016

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, January 5, 2016.

Officers Present:

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

There were (24) members present.

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 PM.

Secretary's Report

The minutes of the December 1, 2015 meeting were read and unanimously accepted.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was read and unanimously accepted.

GENERAL FUND

December starting balance	\$ 5,841.88
Expenses	-000.00
Deposit	<u>000.00</u>
December Ending balance	\$ 5,841.88

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December starting balance	\$ 983.62
Expenses	-000.00
Deposit	<u>0.00</u>
December Ending balance	\$ 983.62

Committee Report

None

Correspondence

None

Unfinished Business

- Gary Carreiro provided an update on the Brownell property. He reported that he talked with Mrs. Ferry who indicated that the APR review on the property might take up to 6 months to complete. Financing for the purchase of the site by the Ferry sons has been secured. Mrs. Ferry seemed supportive of our use of the property, but it is up to her sons to approve in compliance with the APR Review. All of our equipment has been move to the upper barn. The shed was transferred to Dave Brownell and then sold back to us. Technically, we are no longer tenants at the site, but since no one is there, we may still be able to fly there. We may have to begin the 2016 season at the Rochester location however.
- It was reported that no agreement has been reached to use the Dartmouth High School field house as an indoor flying location in concert with the student engineering program we worked with last year. Stay tuned.
- Gary Carreiro recommended that we wait to register with the FAA pending negotiations with and direction from the AMA.
- The President reported that indoor flying at the Sippican School has been well attended.
- Gary Carreiro suggested that we purchase another electric trainer through the Nicolaci Youth Aviation Account. In addition, a club drone may also be obtained for youth training.
- President Carreiro talked about our new meeting format for 2016 called “Ground School”. In February, Gerry Dupont with present fiber glassing 101, and the March meeting will feature a presentation on transmitter programming.

New Business

- Club President Carreiro addressed the recent e-mail controversy precipitated by the FAA registration ruling. Political opinions and views are not to be shared via e-mail blasts. All blanket e-mails must be approved in advance by either the President or Vice-President and must be strictly informational and aviation related. E-mails to individual members are still permitted without approval. It was reported that a member has resigned due to the e-mail fracas.
- Gary Carreiro reported that the club by-laws are somewhat obsolete as well as inconsistent, and will be amended at meeting later in the year.
- It was reported that due to our fabulous new web site, created by Chris Ferreira, the club has 4 new potential members on our waiting list.

Comments from the Officers

None

Comments from the members

None

The meeting closed at 8:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ed Goulart
Recording Secretary