

BRISTOL COUNTY RADIO CONTROL CLUB, INC. # 1349

Minutes of Membership Meeting

June 7, 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, June 7, 2016

Officers Present:

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

There were 23 members present.

The meeting was called to order at 7:17 PM after a meeting of the Executive Committee was held.

Secretary's Report

The minutes of the May 4, 2016 meeting were read and unanimously accepted.

Treasurer's Report

No Treasurer's Report was presented. The balances remain the same as last month.

GENERAL FUND

May starting balance	\$ 5,922.41
Expenses	-000.00
Deposit	000.00
May Ending balance	\$ 5,922.41

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May starting balance	\$ 988.62
Expenses	-000.00
Deposit	0.00
May Ending balance	\$ 988.62

Committee Report

None

Correspondence

None

Unfinished Business

- The Dave Andrade Memorial Fun Fly will be held on Saturday, June 18th. Rain date June 19th
- The Nicolaci Float Fly will be held on Saturday, September 24th. Rain date September 25th.

New Business

- Gary Carreiro discussed the noise complaint from a neighbor that he received from Mrs. Ferry via Judy Brownell. Gary contacted the abutter and listened to his complaints for an extended period. Gary assured the neighbor that we will reinforce our own field rules and minimize the noise to include the use of a decibel meter. Mrs. Ferry was mainly concerned about complaints being made to a State agricultural agency.
- President Carreiro discussed the grass cutting issue. The former hay field will continue to be mowed. Field tables will be moved closer to the runway by an informal taxi way. Ultimately a 2nd formal taxi way will be established.
- Gary Carreiro recommended the termination of a club member for a recent rash of blast e-mails that has affected people's lives and degraded the character of other club members. The termination section, on page 4 of the Club By-laws, was read aloud. A motion was made by Gary Carreiro, and seconded by John Fontes to terminate the membership of Albert Hess for unruly conduct via e-mail. His membership fee will be pro-rated and refunded. A question was raised by Dan Cronin as to why only one person was being singled out for the recent e-mail fiasco. Gary responded that a new member has no right to degrade a 30 year club member. Gary also stated that members have quit due to the e-mails from Mr. Hess. A second motion was made by Gary Carreiro, and seconded by Bob Dupre, to amend the club by-laws and send the notice of the upcoming termination vote via e-mail to all members, and the list of charges to Mr. Hess via regular mail. All voted in favor with the exception of Mr. Hess. At the next meeting a vote will be taken to formally amend the by-laws as well as act on the termination motion for Mr. Hess.

Comments from the Officers

- President Carreiro reported that Bob Pacheco had undergone bypass surgery at Chorlton Memorial Hospital. Well wishes can be sent to his home at 63 Circuit Road, Swansea, MA 02777.

Comments from the members

- Ted Brito spoke and indicated that while he wants to do many activities with and for the club, he feels that many members seemingly do not share his views. He proposed to pay for the GeoTech surface at the Rochester site, and release the club insurance, and essentially start a new club. He would allow club members to use the site for the remainder of the year as well as utilize his rental and products discounts for the foreseeable future. He indicated that the BCRCC is not a fit for him and resigned his membership. Michelle Brito also resigned as Treasurer and both Britos left the

meeting. It was suggested by Gerry Dupont that his wife, Nancy Dupont, would be willing to take over the Treasurer's duties.

- Gary Carreiro indicated that a lot of animosity existed and the club would take Ted Brito's offer under advisement. He indicated he felt it was important to keep the Rochester site as a backup field.
- Addison Singleton remarked that the Rochester site "sucked".
- John Fontes spoke emphatically about his concern for the feelings of the Rochester site landowner, Dave Souza. Our sparse use of the facility was troubling to Mr. Fontes.

The meeting closed at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ed Goulart
Recording Secretary