

# MEETING OF THE ST. CROIX VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

March 19, 2023

Calais Veterans Hall, Calais, ME

The meeting was called to order by President Roger Holst at 1740 hours.

Present were:

Roger Holst, W1LH, President

Charlie Dix, W0AQ, Vice President

Dick Smith, VE9HX, Vice President

Rick MacMillan, VE9MTB, Treasurer

Maurry Mills, W1FWS, Secretary

Pedro Ceijas, WA4KEO

Anne Carter, KB1RQH

Ken Carter, WA1DXO

Kevin Stanhope, KA1VKQ

Maurry read the Secretary's Report for the February 2023 meeting; there were no changes and there was a unanimous vote to approve the minutes as read.

The Secretary's Report for the January 2023, and prior meetings is on the club website [www.stcroixvalleyamateurradioclub.org](http://www.stcroixvalleyamateurradioclub.org)

Rick handed out copies of the current membership list and Summary of Accounts.

Balances of the Club's accounts were as follows on March 19, 2023:

Balance in Campden Bank (2/28/23)	\$3,348.38
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PayPal Account (3/19/23)	\$ 428.77
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Cash on Hand (3/19/23)	\$ 440.00
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<u>Amt. Collected for Spectrum Fund</u>	<u>\$ 16.00</u>
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<u>Total</u>	<u>\$ 4,228.65</u>
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The treasurers report was accepted as presented by all present. The membership list will be amended to show that the Carters had paid their dues at the Christmas party.

## **Old Business:**

### **Web Site**

Charlie has been working on the new web site. Roger was able to get the old web site up and running. Maurry will send Roger and Charlie meeting minutes as a pdf document in the future.

### **Survey:**

Charlie sent a list of questions and local hams to Roger. Charlie will put together a list of emails for individuals on the culled list.

### **Field Day:**

ARRL has developed new rules for this year. Most of the members present expressed an interest in participating in FD this year. Roger will check with the Alexander Grange to see if they are willing to take care of the food (hot dogs and hamburgers). The club would reimburse the Grange for the food and service. Club members could bring salads and desserts.

### **Weather Spotter Training**

Roger didn't have anything to report. He will try and contact the National Weather Service by our next meeting.

### **Spectrum Defense Fund**

Roger will purchase a few more items to raffle off to benefit the fund. We can sell tickets and do a drawing in December.

## **New Business**

Rick will draft a membership application for the club. It could be posted on the club web site to facilitate getting mailing and email addresses of new members.

## **Other Events**

Roger is planning on going to the Maine State Convention in Lewiston on March 24 and 25.

There will be a two hour training on interference at Nearfest in Deerfield, NH on April 28 and 29.

April 24: Ellsworth Ham Radio Symposium

May 19-21: Dayton Hamvention

June 23-25: Field Day including set up

Sept. 9: Windsor Ham Fest

Sept 16: Alexander Ham Fest

There was continued discussion about options for hams on Deer Island and other locations to check in via radio or possibly zoom.

The antenna for the K1QA repeater is on the tower.

In the future there may be a PL tone on the repeaters in the IRG network, probably 151.4.

Ken Carter reported that the antenna at the Pembroke Legion can't get into the .33 repeater.

Charlie reported that he won't be at the next club meeting.

The meeting was adjourned by Roger at 1833 hours.

Respectfully submitted,  
Maury Mills, Secretary