

## HCRA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

March 22, 2023

Meeting Began 7:00 PM (via Zoom)

### Attendees:

President – W1AST Larry      Vice President – W1AEZ Ez

ZeroBeat – KD1KU Ken      Treasurer – KC1V George

Membership – K1VOI John      Secretary – NF1G Paul

Tech. Dir. – WA1OJN Bob      Program Dir. – AA1UE Gary

At Large – KP4JLD Josue

### Unable to Attend:

### **President's Report: Larry, W1AST**

- Raffle tickets available for sale at \$10 each. Drawing will be at April meeting.
- Discussion of adding a Group Project kit build in the Spring for a club activity. Deferred until next year.
- Larry attended ARRL Cabinet Meeting
  - Future renewals will yield a commission to the club. \$15 for each new member, \$5 for each renewal made through the club. More information will be in ZeroBeat
  - ARRL creating new club management videos and a Learning Center of videos useful to clubs
- Share the Knowledge sessions established. So far:
  - Apr 11<sup>th</sup> – The ARRL & You, Ray AA1SE
- Field Day site (Agawam) site has been reserved. Looking for volunteers to organize and manage Field Day activities.
- 10 meter net has had 9 – 10 check-ins lately
- Likely will offer a special, one time only, renewal program next year whereby a member can renew for 5 years for the price of 4. In other words \$60 versus the normal \$75.

### **Vice President's Report: Ez, W1AEZ**

- Ez working on 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Planning Committee consists of Ez, W1AEZ: George, KC1V; Josue, KP4JLD; and Bill, W1FMX
- Discussion was held regarding activities and perhaps a Special Event Station on the anniversary date.

### **Secretary's Report: Paul, NF1G**

Liability insurance policy has been renewed effective March 1, 2023.

### **Treasurer's Report: George, KC1V**

**The Treasurer's Report was reviewed and approved. Any member may obtain a copy by contacting the Treasurer.**

It was noted that Amazon has ended the Amazon Smile program and made a final distribution. Since the Savings account was established solely for this purpose it was voted to recombine the savings account with the regular checking account.

Approximately 70 raffle tickets sold to date.

### **Program Director's Report: Gary, AA1UE**

Discuss possible Radio Orienteering event. Need to learn more what it may entail. Hope to find a speaker on this topic.

Emphasis on first two speakers in Fall need to be live, not virtual. All agreed

### **Membership Report: John, K1VOI**

Total Members: 107 (based on renewals through 3/22/23)

Regular Members: 96

Prospects: - 3 -

Life: 3

Family: 8

New licensees in our area will be sent invitation QSL cards and invited to join.

### **At Large: Josue, KP4JLD**

No report

### **Technical: Bob, WA1OJN**

Working on a couple of project ideas. More in April

### **ZeroBeat: Ken, KD1KU**

- Larry continues to hear accolades regarding ZeroBeat – Best club newsletter in New England – **great job Ken!!**

### **New Business:**

- Holiday Party for 2023 will be a Holiday and 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration. Expected to be recognized by the ARRL for 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. NE Division Director and Vice Director expected to attend. Discussion of ways to continually promote 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary throughout the year.

### **Old Business:**

- 10 Meter net has now returned to weekly on Monday evenings. See ZeroBeat and social media for details

**Next Club Meeting: Friday, April 7, 2023 at 7:30 PM at Holyoke Hospital**

**Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, April 26, 2022 at 7:00 PM (via Zoom)**

**Meeting Adjourned: 8:15 PM**